

MINUTES

of the

Sixty-Sixth Annual Session

of the

**SARDIS ASSOCIATION OF
REGULAR BAPTIST**

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
IN SESSION ASSEMBLED WITH

TABITHA CHURCH

Omar, West Virginia

2726



September 12, 13 and 14, 1958



ELDER ESTER HOPKINS, Moderator

ELDER EDWIN MAY, Asst. Moderator

TROY T. FRANCIS, Clerk

DOCK SCOTT and ELLIS DAVIS, Asst. Clerks

PROCEEDINGS
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SARDIS ASSOCIATION
of the Regular Baptist Church
the Church of Jesus Christ

In session assembled with the Tabitha Church, September 12, 13, and 14, 1958 at the place where arrangements were made for the preaching, the services were introduced by Elder John H. Hensley followed by the Introductory Sermon delivered by Elder Ester Hopkins, text: St. John 7:46, Never a man spoke like this man. Then the delegates assembled at the church house and after a short talk, song and prayer, by Elder Willie White, the Association proceeded as follows:

1. Called for the letters from the several churches and received the letters and seated the delegates.

2. The Association then organized by electing Elder Ester Hopkins as Moderator and Elder Edwin May, Assistant Moderator; Troy Francis, Clerk; and Dock Scott and Ellis Davis, Assistant Clerks.

3. At the request of the Moderator, the rules of decorum were read by the Clerk.

4. Called for newly organized Churches and received none.

5. Called for letters from Sister Association, and received as follows:

NEW SALEM—By the hands of Elders F. A. Hopkins, E. V. Hopkins, Wiley Coffee, Hamilton Blevins, M. V. Burke, Bert Howard, Baxter Osborne, Tack Hall, Woodrow Dye, M. C. Wright, and Banner Mann. Letter in the hands of Elder M. C. Wright.

UNION—By the hands of Elders Teddy Parker, Mander Younts, Eimer Church, Eddie Cable, Johnie Church, W. F. Hubbard, George Perrigan, J. R. Coleman, Ernest Hollen, Milton Thacker, Rush Reed, Nick England, Chaley Ramey, Butler Ratliff, Brothers Anthony Jackerson, E. H. Wallen, Carson Newberry. Letter in the hands of Elders Elmer Church.

PHILADELPHIA—By the hands of Elders John Griff-

ith, John Reed, Ira Adkins, Jim Adkins, John Moore, Elias Cotton, and Ernest Runyon. Letter in the hands of Elder Elias Cotton.

MUD RIVER—By the hands of Elders Dowe Hurley, Joe Sizemore, Ernest Breedlove, Bert Hall, Lee Vance. Letter in the hands of Elder Lee Vance.

THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM — By the hands of Elder Steve Osborne, Baxter Osborne, Delmar Williams, Claude Owsley, Johnua Hicks, R. B. Akers, Brothers Jessie Bryant, Alonzo Tackett, Woodrow Fuller, George Hamilton, Tip Collins, and Banner Collins. Letter in the hands of Elder Baxter Osborne.

INDIAN BOTTOM—By the hands of Elders H. B. Reedy, Alonzo Allen, Alus Baldrige, Paris Hagans, H. D. Caudill, Artie Adams, Alvis Hagans, Hirman Aurburgey, Marcus Isam, and J. W. Pratt. Letter in the hands of Elder H. B. Reedy.

FRIENDSHIP—By the hands of Elders B. C. Riffe, N. J. Roberts, A. H. Baker, George Allen, George Hopson, Taylor Blankenship, J. H. Belcher, Brothers H. W. Blair, Wiley Blair, Elbert Cline, Joe Runyon. Letter in the hands of Elder George Hopson.

6. Called for transient Ministers, and members of our faith and order, the following recieved: Elders L. W. Woods, C. M. Childers, Charley Adkins, Lewis Marcum, Earl Hogston, Sterling Cole, Perry Cline, and Eph Cline.

7. On motion it is ordered that we correspond with the following Associations: New Salem, Union, Philadelphia, Mud River, Indian Bottom, Friendship, and Northern New Salem.

8. Ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments.

9. Clerks appointed to wirte letters to corresponding Associations.

10. Committee appointed to take care of the visiting Brethren as follows: Joe Robinett, Charley Evans, and Comfort Gillman.

11. Committee appointed to see that the stand be supplied with ministers, and that peace is preserved around the stand. Joe Robinett, Charley Evans, Comfort Gillman, and Carlos Meadows.

12. Committee appointed to arrange the Ministry for Friday night and Saturday, consisting of one member from each church, with the entire delegation of the Tabitha

Church. Ministers as follows: Friday night—Elders Wiley Coffee, Paris Hagans, Ira Adkins, M. C. Wright, and Saturday, Elders Johnie Church, Ernest Breedlove, and George Hopson.

13. Committee on arrangements, consisting of one delegate from each church, with the Moderators and Clerks, with the corresponding Associations invited.

14. On motion by Elder J. G. Thornsbury the Association adjourned until nine o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING

Met pursuant to adjournment and after song and prayer, service was introduced by Elder Johnie Church.

1. Called the roll and marked the absentees.
2. Read the bill of arrangements discharged the committee on same.
3. Appointed a committee on finance consisting of Elders H. C. Maynard, Jonah Ester Willilamson, and B. H. Bevins, who reported the contributions from each church as shown in the Statistical Table.
4. Called on Treasurer to report, who reported as follows:

Total on hand for the year ending		
September 13, 1958		\$733.87
Paid out for the printing of the minutes and freight charges	\$638.84	
Secretary's fee	50.00	
Clerk's fee	10.00	
	\$698.84	
Total paid out		\$ 35.03
Balance in bank		86.80
Received for pictures and Donation		471.00
Recieved from Churches this year		471.00
Total on hand for next year		\$592.83

5. By motion it is ordered that Elder Dock Scott be appointed as Treasurer, and that he be allowed nothing for his services.

6. Ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and that he have 3,000 copies printed and that he be allowed \$50.00 for his services, for preparing manuscript and recording same.

lowing ministers in disorder and remove their names from our minutes: Elders Wallace Maynard, Moses Maynard, Shadle Pauley, Clarence McCoy, J. W. McCoy, Orville Runyon, Watt Sheppard, Robert Adkins, and Brother R. B. Maynard.

17. By motion it was ordered that we remove Elder Harold Edmonds name from our minute because he is with the New Salem Association. Also Elders R. A. Damron and W. C. Hay, who have deceased this life.

18. By motion it was ordered that we print the letter and song of Elder R. A. Damron's in our minutes.

19. Ordered that the Queries from the Pilgrims Home Church be printed as answered by the Association in our minutes.

QUESTION 1—Is the soul of man sealed with the holy spirit of God and saved before water Baptism? The Association answers YES.

QUESTION 2—Is there an inner and outer Man? The Association answers YES.

QUESTION 3—If there is an inner and outer Man is the inner Man Christ? The Association answers NO.

QUESTION 4—If there is an inner and outer Man is the whole Man born again? The Association answers NO.

QUESTION 5—Is the new testament Scriptures The Gospel? The Association answers NO.

QUESTION 6—If the answer to the first two questions is YES and the last three is NO, WE then ask the Association to advise the Churches in our union who have ministers preaching, or teaching, contrary to the above, to call in their credentials and any church that should fail in so doing shall be cut off from the Association.

20. Ordered that the Treasurer pay the expense of one (1) car for the visiting Sister Associations, that is: paying for the Gas and Oil.

21. Ordered that we advise ministers of our Association not to marry people into adultery, where eighter man or woman has a living wife or husband.

22. Shall we recieve into our fellowship men having more than one wife or women having more than one husband?

ANSWER—We advice the Churches not to receive into their fellowship any such, except those who, have put away their companions for the cause of fornication. Such cases to have Gospel or Church evidence of same.

24. Ordered that our next Association be held with the Elk Fork Church, one mile below Delbarton, West Virginia, on Route 65, to begin on Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1959.

25. By vote is it ordered that Elder Jonah E. Williamson preach the Introductory Sermon, and that Elder Emmitt Case be his alternate.

26. Ordered that we tender our thanks to the Tabitha Church and to the community at large.

27. Ordered that the minutes be read and signed by the Moderators and Clerks.

28. On motion we adjourned to the time and place above mentioned.

Elder Ester Hopkins, Moderator,
Elder Edwin May, Assistant Moderator,
Troy F. Francis, Clerk,
Elders Dock Scott and Ellis Davis, Assistant Clerks.

SUNDAY'S SERVICE, SEPTEMBER 14, 1958

FIRST—After singing several of our favorite songs of Zion, the service was introduced by Elder Willie White. Song "Salvation, O The Name I Love," Elder Wiley Coffee led us in prayer.

SECOND—Elder Elmer Church, the Assistant Moderator from the Union Association, was called to the stand and sang, "There Is A Path That Leads To God." He used for a "Text," Hebrews 8:5. See, Saith he, that thou make all things according to the Pattern shewed to thee in the mount.

THIRD—Elder B. H. Bevins from the Sardis Association was called to the stand. He used for a "Text," Philippians 3:7, It is safe.

FOURTH—Elder Ester Hopkins, the Moderator of the Sardis Association came to the stand. He used for a "Text," Geneses 24:27. I being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my Master's Brethren. At the closing of the service there was much rejoicing and praising the name of the good Lord.

The Sardis Association wants to thank all the people of Island Creek and the surrounding communities that contrubuted anything to make our Association a success. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the overseers of the Community Hall where we held our Association. May the God of Heaven Bless you all for your kindness, thus ending the sixty-sixth session of the Sardis Association.

May the God of the Eternal Heaven Bless every one of our churches to live in Peace and Prayer, that when we meet with the Elk Fork Church, God will bless us to have the best Association we have ever had.

Your Clerk.

CLERK'S NOTE

To all the churches: The Obituaries and Memorials must be typewritten for our Minutes next year or they will not be printed.—Your Clerk.

UNION MEETINGS

Time and Ministers to attend

(APRIL)

SOUTHERN HOME—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders Johnny Clevinger, Ross Cline, Charlie Johnson, Dock Scott, A. B. Lowe, and Edwin May.

(MAY)

SALEM—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders Jonah Ester Williamson, Dock Scott, and Edwin May.

TURKEY CREEK—Second Saturday and Sunday. Elders Ester Hopkins, Dock Scott, J. G. Thornsberry with Moderator attending.

(JUNE)

ENON—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, H. C. Maynard, and Dock Scott.

APPLE ORCHARD—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders Ester Hopkins, and Willis Dials with Moderator attending.

LITTLE ROSA—Second Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, Dock Scott, and Ellis Davis, with Moderator attending.

MUNCY VALLEY—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Willie White, Johnie Adair and Ellis Davis.

BUCK CREEK—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Fon Bowling, Edwin May, B. H. Bevins, and Jonah Ester Williamson.

LITTLE VIRGIE—Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elders Ester Hopkins, Tommy Adair, Grover Carey, and Willie Stanley.

SIDNEY — Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elders Dock Scott, Jonah Ester Williamson, Fon Bowling, and Wayne Herald.

(JULY)

DIX FORK—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders Dock Scott, Ira Adkins, Edwin May, and Grover Carey.

SAMARIA—First Saturday and Sunday. Elders Wayne Herald, Jonah Ester Williamson, and Edwin May with Moderator attending. Also these Ministers will be used on the Dillon Cemetery on Sunday of our Union Meeting.

LEANNAH—Second Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. L. Nichols, Edwin May, Willie White, Willis Dials, Ellis Davis.

MT. PLEASANT—Second Saturday and Sunday. Elders Wayne Herald, Tommy Adair, Cecil Evans with Moderator attending.

BIG BRANCH—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Edwin May and Willis Dials.

MARY ELIZABETH—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Ester Hopkins, Grover Adkins. Starting time 10:00 A. M. both days.

NARROWS BRANCH—To begin on Friday before the fourth Saturday. Elders Charlie Johnson, Ross Cline, Edwin May, with the Moderator attending.

(AUGUST)

TABITHA — First Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, Charlie Johnson, and Willie White.

REBECCA—Second Saturday and Sunday. Elders Dowe Hurley, Ester Hopkins, Jonah E. Williamson, and Charlie Johnson, with Moderator attending.

ELK FORK—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, H. C. Maynard, Charlie Johnson and Jonah Ester Williamson.

BENT BRANCH—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Edwin May, B. H. Bevins, and Wayne Herald.

ROSA—Third Saturday and Sunday. Elders Jonah Ester Williamson, Wayne Herald, Taylor Blankenship, and Ester Hopkins.

BETHANY—Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, H. C. Maynard, Cecil Evans, Wayne Herald, and Elias Cotton. This is also our Memorial Meeting time.

SARDIS — Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elders J. G. Thornsberry, H. C. Maynard, Charlie Johnson, Willis Dials, and Jeff May.

PILGRIMS HOME—Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Elders Luther Conn, Fon Bowling, Johnie Cline, Johnie Hall and Elmer Church.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS

MT. PLEASANT—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting second Saturday and Sunday in October. Ministers called: Ester Hopkins, B. H. Bevins, and Dock Scott.

APPLE ORCHARD—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting on Sunday after the first Saturday in August. Ministers called: Wayne Herald and Charlie Johnson.

MEMORIAL on the Joe Taylor Cemetery—will be held on Sunday after the first Saturday in September. Ministers called: J. L. Nicholds, Havery Lowe, Edwin May and Dock Scott.

ENON—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in August. All ministers invited.

BENT BRANCH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Emmitt Case, Lloyd SESCO, and Willis Dials.

SARDIS—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting on the Adair Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July. Ministers called: Harold Edmonds, B. H. Bevins, Avery Lowe, and Ellis Davis.

MARY ELIZABETH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting of Elder J. W. Smith and all other deceased members, the third Sunday in August. Minister called Ester Hopkins, H. C. Maynard, Dock Scott, Charlie Johnson. Also Memorial of Elder Wallace Jackson and others will be held with this church the third Sunday in September. Ministers called: J. G. Thornsbury and Grover Adkins.

ELK FORK—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the third Saturday and Sunday in October. Ministers called: Grover Carey, Cecil Evans, and Jeff May.

PILGRIMS HOME—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in October. All ministers invited.

SALEM—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in October. Ministers called: Dock Scott, Wayne Herald and Ester Hopkins.

ROSA—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the third Saturday and Sunday in October. All ministers invited.

LITTLE VIRGIE—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. All ministers invited.

MEMORIAL Meeting—will be held at the Perry Cemetery

at Stepptown, one mile below Kernit, W. Va. on Route 52, second Sunday in August, 1959. Ministers called: Wayne Herald and Ellis Davis.

MEMORIAL Meeting—Will be held on the Frank Canterbury Cemetery, 3 miles from Lenore, W. Va., on Laurel Creek, near Bethany Church on May 30, 1959. Ministers called: Carlos Gibson, Willie White, Ross Cline, Ellis Davis, and Tracy Hatfield.

MEMORIAL—Of Uncle Jim Gillman and others will be held the first Sunday in June, 1959, at the Cemetery where he is buried, just above the Elk Fork Church below Delbarton, W. Va. Ministers called: J. G. Thornsbury, H. C. Maynard, Grover Carey, Cecil Evans, and Percy Canterbury.

MEMORIAL—Of John Jude will be held the fourth Sunday in May, 1959. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nicholds, Willis Dials, and Clinton Howard.

MEMORIAL—Will be held for all deceased of the Sidney Church, the fourth Sunday in August, 1959. All ministers are invited to attend.

SIDNEY—Church will hold a Memorial of Dave Jude and others the fourth Sunday in July, 1959. Ministers called: Dock Scott, Wayne Herald, Fon Bowling, and Jonah Ester Williamson.

MEMORIAL Meeting—Of Brother William and Sister Chloe Riffe is to be held the first Sunday in June, 1959, at Handover, W. Va., on the Riffe Cemetery. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Carlos Meadows, and Charlie Evans.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother Robert Ellis will be held on the Yuma Cemetery the last Sunday in May, 1959. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Carlos Meadows, Charlie Evans, Carlos Gibson, and J. H. Hensley.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother Elias Jude will be held on Big Creek at the Farley Cemetery on the Second Sunday in August, 1959. Ministers called: Avery Lowe, Mont Ellis, Charlie Evans.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother John and Sister Christine Runyon will be held on Laurel Fork of Pigeon Creek, on the Runyon Cemetery, the third Sunday in June, 1959. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, J. H. Hensley, Charlie Evans, and Carlos Meadows.

LITTLE VIRGIE—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May, 1959. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Dock Scott, and H. C. Maynard.

TRUCKEY CREEK—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the second Saturday and Sunday in October, 1959. Ministers called: Ester Hopkins, Edwin May, Ross Cline, Lloyd Seseo.

NARROWS BRANCH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May, 1959. Ministers called: Ken Varney, H. C. Maynard, and Ester Hopkins.

MEMORIAL—Of Elder W. H. Bowling and family will be held at the Tom Price School House, Pisco, Ky., the first Saturday and Sunday in September, 1959. Ministers called: Edwin May, Emmitt Case, J. E. Williamson, and Bud Coleman.

LEANNAH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting of Aunt Jocie Jones, Uncle Jobe Blackburn and wife and all the deceased on the Muncy Cemetery on the Sunday after the second Saturday in May, 1959. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, Wayne Herald, and Willis Dials.

LEANNAH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting of Sister Matilda M. Robinson and others on the Sunday after the second Saturday in June, 1959, near T. J. Robinson's home. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Willis Dials.

LEANNAH—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting of Sister Esta Muncy Reed and children on the last day of May, 1959, near Ben Scott's home on the right fork of Meat House. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Lloyd Seseo.

MEMORIAL—Of all the deceased on Robinson Cemetery will be held on Sunday after the second Saturday in July. Also the funeral of Brother Sam Robinson to be preached at the same time. Also the Memorial of Brother Tom McCoy, Dike Blackburn, Oscar Blackburn, and other at this time. Ministers called: Willie White, Ellis Davis, Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Willis Dials.

MEMORIAL—Will be held on the Lowe Cemetery, Big Branch, Pike County, Ky., on Sunday after the second Saturday in August, 1959. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe, Willis Dials, and Wayne Herald.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother Carl Lowe, Phillip Hannah, and Sister Linda Sue Taylor will be held on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July, 1959, Guinare, Ky. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Ester Hopkins.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother Johnie Nichols, Sr. and wife will be held on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in June, 1959.

Guinare, Ky. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Ester Hopkins.

MEMORIAL—At Pilgrim, Ky., of Bonnie Hickman to be held on August 30, 1959, near Jobe Blackburn's home. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Edwin May, and Willis Dials.

MEMORIAL—Of Pfc. Edward McCoy and others will be held on the Henry Taylor Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in August, 1959. Ministers called: Earnest Cochran and Edwin May.

MEMORIAL—Of Roscoe McCoy and others will be held on the Sunday after the third Saturday in September, 1959, Brushy Creek. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Edwin May, Ernest Cochran and J. L. Nichols.

MEMORIAL—Of Russel P. McCoy and others will be held on the Ratliff Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in May, 1959. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe, Butler Ratliff, Edwin May, and Earnest Cochran.

MEMORIAL—Of Brother Harrison McCoy and others will be held on Sunday after the third Saturday in August, 1959. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, J. R. Coleman, Charlie Johnson, and Willis Dials.

MEMORIAL—Will be held for all deceased on the Julius Scott Cemetery, at Hardy, Ky., on Sunday following the third Saturday in July, 1959. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Ester Hopkins, Dock Scott, and all others invited.

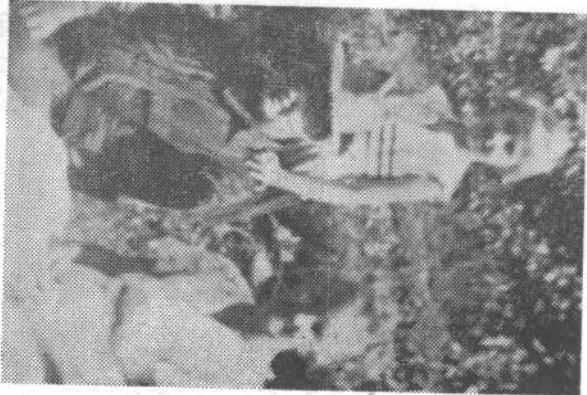
MEMORIAL—Of Coosie Lowe, the daughter of Elder L. G. Lowe, and others will be held on the Runyon Cemetery on the Long Branch, Sunday nearest Decoration Day. Ministers called: Shirley Fraley, Johnie Adair, and B. H. Lowe.

SAMARIE—Church will hold a Memorial Meeting at the Hannah Cemetery in the head of Marrowbone Creek, the third Sunday in August, 1959. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Cecil Evans, and Willie Varney.

MEMORIAL—Will be held at the Lackey Cemetery, in the head of Marrowbone Creek, the Sunday following the first Saturday in September, 1959. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Cecil Evans, and Jeff May.

Obituaries

SISTER EDNA MAYNARD



It is with much sadness, that I try to write a short obituary of Sister Edna Maynard.

She was the daughter of John and Rebecca Reed Conlidy, born June 9, 1899, deceased this life January 19, 1858, making her stay here on earth 58 years, 7 months, and 9 days.

She was united in marriage to Stanford Maynard and to this union was born six children, three boys and three girls. Namely: Walter Maynard, Cap Maynard, Claude Maynard, Ester Maynard, Dortha Maynard, and Sallie Maynard.

Sister Edna was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church and placed her membership with the Apple Orchard Church some time in 1925, and lived a faithful life until God called her away.

She leaves her six children, husband, grandchildren, relatives, and the Old Regular Baptist Church to mourn her death, but we feel our loss is her eternal gain.

I want to say to every one that knew Sister Edna, if you ever expect to see her again, you must be born again and live the life Jesus left here on earth for His people to live.

Written by Elder Lewis Marcum.

ELDER RICHARD A. DAMRON

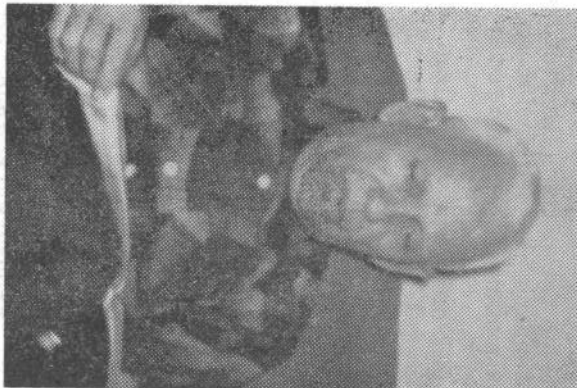
Elder R. A. Damron was born in Wayne County, West Virginia, on October 17, 1892. He began teaching in the public schools there in 1912.

He was married to Gracie Webb, daughter of John Calvin and Nannie Webb, on August 17, 1918, and to this union was born four children, two of whom passed on in infancy;

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Ermesine Seal and Lanty Harold Damron survive as well as two grandchildren. He leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

He united with the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1922—SALEM, near the mouth of Pond Creek and which was then held in a school house. He was baptised by Elders Hi Maynard and Willie Hay. He was ordained to the ministry together with B. H. Bevans and Clyde Swanson, under the hands of a presbytery with Elder Hi Maynard leading the prayer of Ordination.



He was very studious in the Bible and read and searched many books and histories tracing out the travels of the Old Church of Jesus Christ. He refused to accept any human head of the church, declaring through his entire ministry that Christ was the Founder and Head of His Church: He was the Life of It, The Wisdom of It, and that It was set in motion in the Morning of Time: A seed from the Glory World Making It the only ETERNAL Body in this world today. Christ led her through the wilderness and met her at Jordan where the Corner Stone was laid in Zion. With the Rod of His Strength sent out of Zion, He began giving Her Her laws, precepts and examples which shall never be removed, and this body being ETERNAL will persevere through Grace to Glory. This is the Grace Covenant Sealed with the blood of the Everlasting Covenant.

He was deep and firm in his convictions, but quick to correct or make right any wrong.

The wife of his youth passed on in January, 1933. He was married the second time to Bertha E. Browning of Logan, in Logan County, on the 8th of December, 1933, and to this union was born two children, Eugenia Ann and Roger A. Damron, who survive.

His last days was almost completely devoted to his calling—preaching the Gospel and declaring that sinners were saved by Grace through Faith and that not of their selves. It is the Gift of God.

While disease and pain was prying upon his body, he went to his calling of preaching the Gospel—visiting homes

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where an interest had been shown, or where some misunderstanding had occurred that he might be the means of bringing about a peaceful understanding.

He believed the Bible to be the infallible word of God—a perfect treasure of Heaven and nothing was to be taken away or added to it. He was a strong advocate of the perseverance of the Church, and stressed the resurrection of the dead. He believed in a real resurrection of the body that went down and that Christ would in that Morning call it from the grave and it would be re-united with the spirit which had been saved by the blood of Christ, thus making a complete resurrection.

He firmly believed the Churches ordinances—**Baptism—Taking of the Bread and Wine—and Washing Feet.** He affirmed the Old Church had three ordinances while the **Beast Kingdom** only professed two. This is the fruit of them that has been to that **Fountain of Blood** opened to the **House of King David** for sin and uncleanness.

His labors was with the local churches mostly, but visited Sister Associations as well.

He was a firm believer in a **Visible Kingdom** that would persevere through **Grace to Glory.**

He believed that though miracles had passed with the passing of the last of the Apostles, yet the faithful prayer was effectual in this as set for by James.

Farewell, Richard A. Damron.

Barboursville, W. Va.
February 17, 1958

To my Brethren and Sisters in the Old Regular Baptist Church in the hills of Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia.

Dearly Beloved in the Lord:

My voice will soon be stilled in death. I love you all and always have since casting my lot with you. I want to assure you if that will increase your Faith in Him that the Old Regular Baptist Church or Kingdom is Eternal and the only Eternal Body in this world. God took a plant from the Eternal World in the Morning of Time and set Her in His Holy Hill, Holy One of Israel. She has reached across mountains and Zion. Isaiah tells us it is the city of the Lord, the Zion of the oceans and when the Lord of Glory would leave this world and go back to His Father, He turned Her over to the people He choose to call Baptist. Each and every page in His Bible tells who is keeping His commands and walking in Him.

May God bless you and enable you to live together in love and peace, so each of you at your parting this life can feel as I do this day, that all is well.

The parting is hard as far as nature is concerned, but

since I have spent this day in song and prayer, I have had a brighter look at my home over yonder.

Be good and kind to one another and strive for things that will bring and keep peace.

Farewell till we meet again, Elder R. A. Damron.

LOOKING BACK WITH PAUL

TUNE: Young Ladies All I Pray Draw Near

Of the 65 years thou hast given me free
That I might prepare to live with thee
I can only count 40 in Thy Kingdom lent
The rest in wickedness I spent

I had no one in my youthful days
To direct to One whom I should praise
My Mother had gone with Christ to dwell
She often prayed I'd be spared from hell
Like many others at that wide, wide gate
I spent the years till I thought too late
I began to call on Christ to save
Else I must go to a sinners grave

I had read where He stood at the door
Of sinners great both rich and poor
And from this I took courage great
Until I stood at the beautiful gate

That gate leads to life and immortal peace
Which has no end and will never cease
For all pilgrims from a world of sin
The risen Saviour will welcome in

O Come said He come welcome home
No more shall ye be forced to roam
From my Father's Kingdom of peace and love
Which He prepared for you above

The gates that Morn will wide open swing
While Heaven with the Arch Angels sing
We can now hear that song up there
Which we could not sing while travelling here

Farewell my Brethren and Sisters dear
We'll soon meet where there is no tear
Where all is joy and peace and love
In that sweet home of ours above

NOTE: The tune to this song was taken from a song my grandfathers sang to me around the fireside when I was a mere child, and which I never forgot.

This song composed and written by me on December 28, 1957.



By request of the family and the help of the Lord I will try to write an obituary of Brother Richard C. Fletcher of Threeforks, Kentucky.

He was the son of Thomas and Vina Maynard Fletcher born March 28, 1883, in Pike County, Ky., deceased this life July 13, 1958 at 11:30 a. m., making his stay on earth 75 years, 3 months, and 15 days.

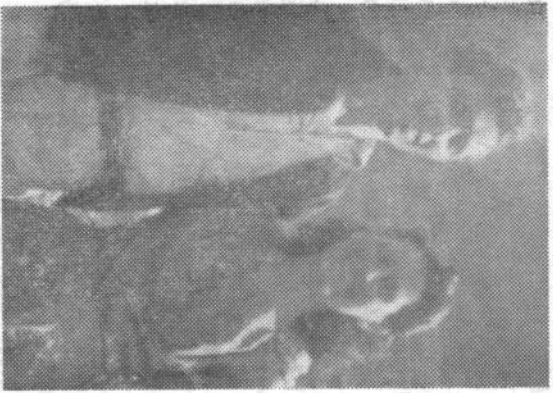
He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Tiller Fletcher in the year of 1905 and to this union was born 12 children. Six preceeded him in death. He leaves his wife, six children, three sons: T. J. Fletcher of Lovely, Ky.; Floyd Fletcher of Threeforks, Ky.; Mrs. Sarah Smith and Mrs. Kizzie Dials, both of Pilgram, Ky.; one brother, Matt Fletcher of Preece, Ky.; two sisters, Mrs. Vicy Moore of Preece, Ky.; Mrs. Ester Jude of Laura, Ky.; 51 grandchildren, 44 great grandchildren, a host of friends and relatives and entire Sidney Church to mourn his death.

Brother Dick as everybody called him was a member of the Regular Baptist Church and was baptized by the hands of Elder Shadle Pauley June 4, 1933. He placed his membership with the Sidney Church and was a faithful member as long as he was able to attend church.

We of the Sidney Church greatly miss Brother Dick, but feel he has made a happy exchange from a world of trouble to home of happiness where there will be no cancers, all will be joy, peace, and happiness.

Children, your daddy is gone to return no more but by the Grace of God you can go to him.

Written by Stella Maynard.



By request of the family I will try to write a short obituary of Brother Albert Adair. He was the son of James and Rebecca Adair, born April 4, 1918 and deceased this life September 7, 1958, making his stay on earth 40 years, 5 months and 15 days.

He was united in marriage to Marie Church July 19, 1941 and to this union was born six children. His father preceeded him in death. He leaves a mother, five brothers, two sisters, wife, and six children and a host of friends to mourn his death.

He was baptised by the hands of Asa Evans in the years of 1951, he has been a faithful member ever sin until death. Many times when he wasn't able, but the Lord call his soul home to Heaven his troubles are over, he will suffer no more here. Children be good and meet father in Heaven.

Written by Elder Charley Evans.

EMILY BROWNING

Itis with much sadness that I try by the help of the Lord to write an obitray of my beloved mother, Emily Browning.

She was the daughter of Mont Ellis and Polly Stone Ellis, born August 5, 1887, and deceased this life March 19, 1956.

She was united in marriage to Allen Browning August 24, 1900. To this union was born 11 children, five sons and six daughters: Freeland, Okay, Moss, Basli, Frank, Pearl Burgess, Stella Hatfield, Lola Mangus, Florence Elkins, Hattie Orr, and Dalphia Wintterbaum. Also 57 grandchildren, 47 great grandchildren, and a host of friends to mourn



We feel our loss is to her eternal gain. She also leaves one sister Rebecca Curry, who survives. Two brothers who preceded her in death, Robert (Bob) Ellis and Eld. Will Hurley. She heeded the call of the Savior many years ago. She was a believer in the Old Regular Baptist Church. Mother told us many times "I am ready to go and don't worry about me." Be good children and love each other. She was a mother to all who knew her, so good and kind to everyone.

She was sick about three years but bore her sickness with patience. She said, "I feel I am ready to go, but I hate to leave my children and husband as they won't have a home to come to when I'm gone." How true these words are. There is no home complete without a mother.

Oh, how we all miss her. Mother dear is gone, she can no longer look out the window watching for her children to come home.

Children, seek the Lord while you have the opportunity. Written by the broken-hearted daughters, Mrs. Tracy Hatfield and Delphia Winterbaum.

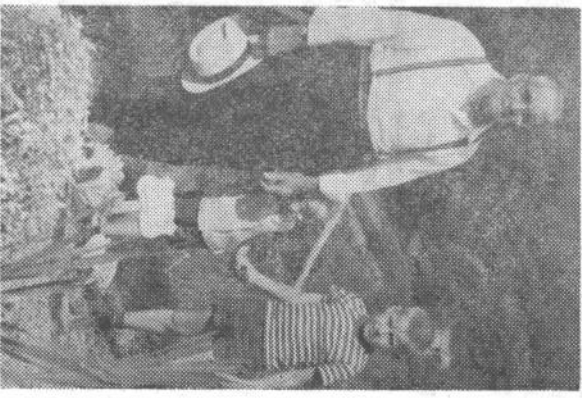
BROTHER MARVIN STANLEY

It is by request and with much sadness that I attempt to write the obituary of our dear Brother Marvin Stanley.

He was the son George and Mary Stanley, born September 8, 1890. Making his stay here on earth 67 years, 8 months and 27 days.

He was united in marriage to Emma Lou Brown Stanley and to this union was born 11 children. Four of the children and his wife preceeded him in death. The children still living are: Trimble Stanley, Willington, Ohio; Mrs. Minnie Cigger of Hardy, Ky.; Victor Stanley of Detroit, Mich.; Cada Stanley, Mrs. Bessie Gannon and Rush

Stanley all of Canada, Ky.; and George K. Stanley of Huddy, Ky. Brother Marvin later married Lily Adkins Stanley. She is left a widow to mourn with the children the loss of Brother Stanley. He had 15 grandchildren and five great grandchildren, four sisters: Menty Smith of Hardy, Ky.; Nancy Cochran and Octavy Cochran both of Canada, Ky.; Magye Cochran of



son, W. Va.; Kelly Stanley of Hardy, Ky.; and a host of friends and relatives.

He was a member of the Regular Baptist Church August 4, 1929 and was baptised by the hands of Brother Jonah Bevins and John Brown. He placed his membership in the Dix Fork Church for more than 28 years. He had been a true and faithful member until death. But we feel confident our loss is his eternal gain. Yes, children Brother Stanley has passed on to his great reward.

Jesus whispered sweetly come and Brother Marvin answered the call. I would like to say to his children, wife, friends, and neighbors for you to seek the Lord as Brother Stanley did. Call upon him while you have life. For the Scriptures says in the day that you will give Him your whole heart He will be found with thee. We thank the God of Heaven for that Promise. May God bless and save everyone of you is my prayer in Jesus name.

Written as requested by Brother Stanley in his life-time. Mrs. Stirl Smith.

MRS. SUSAN BEVINS

I will attempt to write an obituary of my dear grandmother Mrs. Susan Canada Bevins, who departed this life to rest with Jesus January 17, 1958. Life span being 83 years, 1 month, and 2 days.

Near the end of her physical suffering here she said her blessed Jesus visited her and with His Angels sang her a song. She talked with her friends and loved ones about the Angels around her bedside also about a beautiful light shining from Heaven.

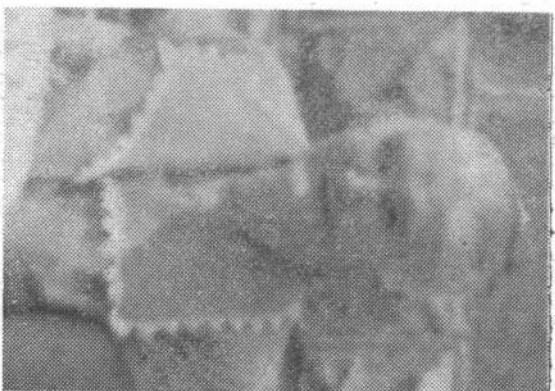


Her prayer was that her husband, daughter and grandchildren would make the effort to make peace with her gracious Jesus. I believe she is now asleep in Jesus.

She leaves a husband, Monty L. Bevins, a daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Bevins Smith, four granddaughters: Mrs. Mike Young, Mrs. Johnnie Bevins, Mrs. W. H. Hale, and Mrs. Charles W. West, seven great grandchildren, one great grandchild with a host of friends and loved ones left to mourn her loss.

Jesus called for this dear loved one, she said she was

With much sadness I will try to write the obituary of Sister Nora Lee Crigger.



She was the daughter of Simon Bently and Nancy Hall Bently, born at Pound, Virginia and was 75 years old at death.

She was united in marriage to Paris Crigger who preceded her in death February 24, 1950. To this union was born three children. The children who are left to mourn mother's death are: Mrs. Susie Moore of Williamson, W. Va.; Orison Crigger of McAdams, Kentucky; and Bill Crigger of Hardy, Kentucky. She also leaves 14 grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her death.

Sister Crigger was a member of the Regular Baptist Church, and placed her membership in the Dix Fork Church. She was a faithful member for 20 years, was baptised by the hands of Elders Ellison Coleman, and H. C. Maynard.

We believe our loss is her eternal gain. There is a crown laid up for her in glory and children there is a crown for you if you will seek Jesus as mother did, she has laid a good pattern for you all to follow. My heart goes out to each of you children. I too know the loss of mother. May God bless you all in my prayer.

Written by Mrs. Stirl Smith.

TROY T. FRANCIS

During my 16 years of helping to prepare the minutes and writing obituaries for the Sardis Association never has one come so close to my heart as the one I must now try to write. I must write it to fill my promise to him.

It is with the greatest of grief and sadness in my heart that I must now try to write the obituary of my beloved husband. This being a sketch of the life of Troy T. Francis, a son of the late T. J. and Mary (Francisco) Francis. Born November 19, 1895, he was united in marriage to Elton Williamson December 25, 1916, at Varney, Ky. To this union was born six children; five sons and one daughter. Two of the sons preceded him in death. Those living are as follows: D. A. Francis of Williamson, W. Va.; Lacy Francis of Turkey, Creek,

Richard Francis and Tempia Gaines of Columbus, Ohio.



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Treasurer of the Sardis Association for 16 years. Through this work he met and gained many friends throughout the states of Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia not only in the Sardis Association, but among all our corresponding Association. He had a wide circle of friends and was loved by all who knew him always greeting them with a smile trying to be helpful to those in distress to lessen their burdens in some way. He will be missed among the Brotherhood, a seat will be vacant in the Pilgrims Home Church which I will hope and pray may later be filled by some of his loved ones. Brothers and Sisters, you have lost a loving and faithful member, our children have lost a good father, most of all I have lost the greatest I feel as through part of my life is going with him. I am sitting by his bedside as I have done for ten months watching his frail body fade away. Realizing I must soon say farewell, but I know his life and feel assured, if I am blessed to enter the Portals of Glory I will find him waiting there for me. I say to our children his prayers for you have ceased to be if you (boys) ever meet with Daddy again you will have to join hands with your sister and pray God for Guidance as he did. Our loss will be his gain there will be no cancer to prey on his body, there will be peace and joy.

Besides his wife and four children he leaves 11 grandchildren, three brothers and two sisters as follows: Asbury, J. M., and Delmon Francis, Mrs. Lacy Walters and Mrs. Tobie Robinett. With many friends and relatives and the entire membership of the Sardis Association to mourn his loss. I must say before I close I want to thank everyone in general who have contributed in anyway to help us bare our burden. I especially thank Twyman Francis and Chester Blackburn

for coming to my rescue to relieve my mind at one moment and my God bless you Lilhan for being so faithful to help me. Written as he requested by his wife.

MACK DAVIS

It is with much sadness that I try by the help of the Lord to write an obituary of my beloved father, Mack Davis.

He was the son of Christopher and Sarah Evans Davis, born August 23, 1884, deceased this life Saturday night, November 23, 1957, being 73 years, 3 months and 1 day old.

He was united in marriage to Brookie Justice Davis and to this union was born seven children of which three preceeded him in death, namely: Ewell, Nannie and Minnie. The four that are still living are: Oma Manyard of Delbarton, W. Va.; Ellis Davis of Lenore, W. Va.; Wilburn Davis of Rt. 1, Williams, W. Va.; and Jerry Davis of Columbus, Ohio. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Tella Hall of Rt. 1, Williams, W. Va., also one brother, Melvin (Boss) Davis and one sister, Julia Ann Davis Sheppard, preceeded him in death.

He also leaves 11 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, with a host of friends, relatives and his wife to mourn his death.

Daddy became a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church in June, 1923, and lived a faithful life before us children until death. We of the Bethany Church feel that we have lost a faithful member and a beloved Brother, but feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

To my Brothers, Sisters, and relatives let us strive to make our peace calling and election sure with God, so in the Resurrection Morning the family circle will not be broken, then we can meet Daddy and all the loved ones that have died in the triumphs of faith.

Won't that be a wonderful reunion? May God bless all and live so we can meet again around the Throne of God.

Written by his son, Elder Ellis Davis.

BROTHER JOHN MAYHORN

By request of the family I will try to write a short obituary of Brother John Mayhorn.

He was the son of Pleasant and Julia Ann (Brewster) Mayhorn, born August 17, 1877. God called him away April 15, 1958, making his stay here on earth 81 years, 7 months, and 15 days.

He was united in marriage to Susie Adams about the

year of 1904 and to this union was born eight children, Bill, Pleasant, Nancy and Sisie, his wife preceeded him in death, leaving Stella Evans of St. Albans, W. Va.; Chloey White of Lenore, W. Va.; Dora Brewer of Lenore, W. Va.; Fred Mayhorn of Lenore, W. Va.; Garnett Hall of Lenore, W. Va.; He was married again, date unknown, to Margrett Dalton, who also preceeded him in death, and on Nov. 3, 1947, he married Sena Pennington, leaving her, friends, relatives and a host of grand and great grandchildren to mourn his death.

Brother John Mayhorn joined the Old Regular Baptist Church many years ago and had his membership at the Bethany Church where he lived a beautiful life as a Deacon and member before his children until God called him away.

We of the Bethany Church greatly miss Brother John, but feel our loss is his eternal gain and have a great hope in these hearts of ours that we will meet him in Heaven when this life is finished with us here on earth.

Brother John had five brothers, namely: George, Bill, Henry, Mathew, William, and Sarah White, a sister to preceeded him in death, leaving Chloey Dillon and Lizzie Chafin to mourn his death.

I want to say to his children, friends, and relatives that have not accepted Jesus as their personal Savior will never see Brother John or be with him, unless they are born of the spirit of God and live the life that Jesus set before them.

Written by his daughter, Chloey White.

MRS. JULIA EVANS

It wis with much sadness in my heart that I try to write the obituary of my dear mother, Mrs. Julia Evans.

She was the daughters of Adams and Emily Runyons, born January 4, 1875 and deceased this life April 2, 1957, making her stay here on earth 82 years, 3 months and 28 days.

She was united in marriage to Amos Evans September 5, 1894, and to this union was born 13 children, seven having preceeded her in death, besides her husband, Amos Evans and one sister, Matilda Southers of Mt. Gay, W. Va. She leaves the following surviving children: George of Logan, W. Va.; Cinda Vanatter of Mt. Gay, W. Va.; Ada Evans, Angeline Ooten, Amos Evans, Elizabeth Preece all of Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.

Mourner became a member of the Regular Baptist Church at the age of 17 years, and lived a true devoted Christian life until death. She loved to go to church, she would go when she was sick having to be taken home before church was over, and by the help of the Lord, I hope to meet my mother some sweet day, where there will be no more sickness, pain or death. Where all will be peace, joy, and happiness.

Written by her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Preece.

BETTY (GILLMAN) WHITE

By the help of the Lord I will try to write an obituary of my beloved Grandmother, Betty (Gillman) White, who was a mother to me and all little children.

She was the daughter of Bill and Phoebe Gillman, born February 15, 1898, deceased this life March 31, 1958, making her stay on earth 60 years, 1 month and 16 days.

She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church. Mom lived a good and faithful life while here on earth. She was good and kind and loved by everyone.

She was united in marriage to Ira White. She was the mother of seven children, one preceeded her in death, leaving six still living as follows: Geraldine, Willie, Susan, Gertrude, Mitchell and Charlie. She also leaves 33 grandchildren, two great grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn her death.

I have hope that mom is resting with God. If we want to shake hands with mom again we have to continue working for God. So her children who are out of the Ark of Safety which is Christ. Give your heart to God and live as mother did so when you are called from this life you can meet mother again and most of all we can see our wonderful Savior Jesus Christ in our mansion He has prepared for you and me.

Written by her granddaughter, Betty Jo Browning.

VIRGINIA and FRANK BLAIR

It is with much sadness that I write an obituary of my mother and father, Virginia Copley and Frank Blair.

Mother was the daughter of Harvey and Miesie Stepp, born March 2, 1871 and deceased this life December 20, 1957, making her stay on earth 86 years, 8 months and 18 days.

Father was the son of Harrison and Adaline Johnson Blair, born May 10, 1870 and deceased this life January 2, 1958, making his stay on earth 87 years, 4 months and 8 days.

To this union was born five children namely: Fred E. Blair of Williamson, W. Va.; Wanda Short of Baltimore, Md.;

Mother was a member of the United Baptist Church at the mouth of Marrowbone Creek in 1890 and in later years came to the Regular Baptist and was baptised by Elder Frank Canterbury and lived a faithful life until death.

Father was very sick in his last days on earth and told children, God had forgive him of his sins and wanted to be baptised. Elder Willie White took his confession but he died before he was baptised.

They leave their children, 20 grandchildren and a great number of great grandchildren relatives and a host of friends to mourn their death.

I feel if you all ever see mother and daddy again you will have to be born again of the spirit of God and take up your cross and follow Jesus.

Written by their son Willard Blair.

SISTER MANDY HUFFMAN

By request of the family I will try in my weakness and by the help of the Lord to write the obituary of Sister Mandy Huffman.

She was united in marriage to Leonard Hensley, (date unknown) and to this union was born three children: Leonard Hensley, Jr. of Switzer, W. Va.; Myrtle Conn of Switzer, W. Va.; and one deceased. She was married the second time to Dewey Huffman (date unknown.)

She was a member of the Tabitha Church and was baptised on July 8, 1934, by the hands of Brother Bill Riffe. She lived a faithful life attending church until her death.

Sister Mandy leaves her husband, two children, a host of friends and the members of the Tabitha Church to mourn her death.

By the fruit she bore, I can say to all I believe that Sister Mandy is now resting from all her labors.

By your unworthy, J. H. Hensley.

ELDER W. C. HAY

It is with much sadness of heart that I attempt to write this obituary, of one among my best friends on this earth, about seven years ago the deceased asked me to write his obituary, which I will now try to do.

Elder W. C. Hay was a son of Isaac and Marths Ellene

(Spence) Hay, born June 24, 1896, deceased June 14, December 2, 1957, making his stay here on earth 59 years, 5 months and 8 days. He joined the Regular Baptist Church in November, 1915, at the age of 17 years old. Four years later, December, 1919, he was ordained to the ministry which he filled faithfully until death and would go at every call sick or well. He was united in marriage to Brookie Maynard, a daughter of the late Elder Hi Maynard, in the year of 1921, and to this union was born six children, three sons and three daughters, names as follows: Maynard Hay, Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.; Mrs. Ersel Gilman, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Basil Anglin, Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.; Ethan Hay, Detroit, Michigan; Edwin Hay, Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.; and Mrs. Arlice Peaden, Pahokee, Florida. He also leaves 21 grandchildren, three brothers, and two sisters, as follows: Millard Hay, Ceredo, W. Va.; Albert Hay, Clendennon, W. Va.; Eustace Hay, address unknown; Mrs. R. B. Cade, Rt. 1, Wayne, W. Va.; and Mrs. Oliver Murphy, Richwood, W. Va.; with a host of friends and relatives through out the states of West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia, and Florida, with the entire membership of the Sardis Association and Sister Associations, where he has spent most of his life as a minister. Brother Hay was firm in his belief, but would always submit to reason, I the writer, have been very close to Brother Hay, for the past 35 years, (we were brothers) and we did act as Brethren should act, his home was my home. We have spent many happy hours together discussing the goodness of God, but now he has gone to that Country where no traveler has ever returned, but I believe with all my heart, that we will meet again, where all will be peace and happiness, forevermore. There won't be any cancers in his body, it will be well and happy. I want to say to Sister Hay, and to you children who are left here in this troublesome world, Daddy's prayers for you have ceased, and you that have not already accepted Christ as your personal Saviour, I hope and pray you will before it is too late. I could write many good things concerning Brother Hay, but this obituary would be too lengthy. I will close by saying, may God in Heaven bless and keep you children in love and peace with each other, Sister Hay I know your home will be lonesome here without Brother Willie, but be thou faithful until death, and you too will receive a crown of life, where you then can reunite with you husband to part no more.

So farewell, and may God bless you all is my prayers.

Written as requested by Troy T. Francis.

WILLIAM ANN (ANN) WILLIAMSON
In Colossians, Paul tells us, "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."

In His precious name I will try to write an obituar of my darling mother, Mary Ann Ray Williamson. She was the daughter of Thomas and Nancy Robinett Ray. She was born September 5, 1889, and deceased this life November 1, 1957, making her stay here on earth 68 years, one month, and 26 days.

She was married to Taulby Williamson March 31, 1913. To this union was born six children. Her husband and two children preceded her in death. Those children living are: Mrs. Elzie Francis, Mrs. Maxie Lea Clevenger, Mrs. Claudia Cline, and Mrs. Nancy Blackburn. She also leaves two brothers, 11 grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives to mourn the loss of her.

She was added to the Regular Baptist Church and professed a hope in Christ and was baptised by the hands of Elder F. A. Hopkins, June 3, 1923. She placed her membership with the Pilgram Home Church to which she lived a loving faithful Christian life.

May the God of all Glory keep each of us girls from the evil things of this life and my God guide us in the right way that we may have a home in Heaven and can rejoice with father and mother.

We miss mother so much when we meet at the old home place. We seem to look for father and mother even though we know they are gone to never to return again. How sad were the hours of parting when the Death Angel took mother away.

You that still have a mother and father with you can never sense the feeling of loneliness until they are gone.

On the Judgement Day when the Book is opened in Heaven and our deeds have been weighed we hope to dwell with mother and father forever.

Written by her daughter, Maxie Lea Clevenger.

BROTHER WILLIAM FRANKLIN COLLINS

Brother William Franklin Collins was born May 17, 1872, the son of the late W. M. Collins and Sarah Jane Phillips Collins. He deceased this life about 3:20 P. M. on Saturday, June 21, 1958, making his stay here 86 years, 1 month, and 4 days.

DRUGGERS, AND WE NEVER DO CALL THEM, WAS A RESPECTABLE merchant, and we do not doubt that during the time he operated a general store many little mouths were fed that had it not been for his generosity, they would have gone hungry.

He was married to Sister Pricie Smith, and to this union was born six children. Two daughters preceded their father in death, Effie at about the age of 18 months, and Sister Betty Chapman, after rearing a lovely family. Brother Frank lived to see Sister Betty and Sister Vicie follow him into the Old Mount Pleasant Church, where he became a member when he felt that the Lord had forgiven him of his sins and told him to go home to his friends and tell them and show them what great things the Lord had done for him. May God bless the rest of his children to repent of their sins, believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and be saved so that they can live in Heaven with their Father and Mother when this life is over.

Brother Frank was ordained a Deacon at the same time Brother Emzy B. Scott and Elder Harold Edmonds were ordained Deacons. He was faithful to wait on the Lord's table as long as he was able to help carry the Bread and the Cup, so that the members could eat that bread in memory of His broken body, and drink from that Cup in memory of His blood which was shed for many. It was while standing on a temporary scaffold painting the church house that Brother Frank fell and injured himself, so that he never fully recovered during his life.

Left to mourn the loss of this devoted husband, loving father, blessed Brother, and kind friend are his wife, Sister Pricie Collins; one son, Leonard Collins; three daughters, Mrs. Alta Smith, Mrs. Mary Baldwin, and Sister Vicie Williamson, all of Canada, Kentucky; one brother, Andy Collins, of Canada, Kentucky; five sisters, Mrs. Louise Bruntz and Sister Vicie Smith of Canada, Kentucky; Sister Pricie Pauley, Sister Jane Pauley, and Sister Lydia Varney, all of Sidney, Kentucky; 48 grandchildren, several great grandchildren, and several great great grandchildren, besides a great host of relatives and friends. But we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Yes, Sister Pricie, you were waiting in the church when Brother Frank came to be a member, but his precious soul is now waiting around the altar of God where your soul and the souls of all his children who make their peace call and election

sure with God can join it and when Jesus comes and collects His jewels home our souls will reunite with our bodies and we, both soul and body, will live together in Heaven where all will be peace, joy, love and happiness forever and ever. May God richly bless you, Leonard, Alta, Mary, and all of his brothers and sisters, relatives and friends. When you be in singing the great redemption song in Heaven, may you be there to sing with Brother Frank, Sister Betty, Little Effie, Sister Pricie, and Little Sister Judy, and with Christ and all the Holy Angels in my prayer in Jesus' name.
Written by one he dearly loved, Elder Harold Edmonds.

SISTER STELLIA JANE SMITH

Sister Stella Jane Smith, the daughter of Floyd and Sarah Morris Pinson, was born February 26, 1890 at Meta, Kentucky and deceased this life April 10, 1958, making her stay here 68 years, one month, and 14 days.

Sister Stella was a member of the Mount Pleasant Church of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ, being baptised at the hands of Elder Jonah Bevins.

Besides her husband, Brother Will T. Smith, of Sidney, Kentucky, she is survived by the following children: Floyd Oney, Williamson, W. Va.; Mrs. Hi Ray, Sidney, Ky.; and James Hunt of Maryland.

Deceased children are Craft Oney and Turner Oney.

The following stepchildren: Monroe Smith and Ras Smith of Sidney, Kentucky; Homer Smith, Hardy, Ky.; Maxine Smith, Toler, Ky.; J. B. Smith of Michigan; and Mrs. Gladys Ray of North Carolina.

Deceased step children are: Marinda Smith, Maggie Smith, and Phinis Smith.

She leaves the following brothers and sisters: Johnnie Pinson, Meta, Ky.; Thomas Pinson, Pinsonfork, Ky.; Mrs. Thlde Stanley, Road Fork, Ky.; Mrs. Joe Braid, Danville, Ky.; and Liburn Pinson, Toler, Ky.; 49 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, and a host of relatives and friends who are left to mourn her loss.

But we feel that her soul is at rest in the paradise of God, her body will shortly rest in the cemetery overlooking her former home and the church she loved so well, but in the Resurrection at the last day it will come forth and be fashioned like unto His most glorious body, be reunited with her sweet soul and live together with all the Saints of God in Heaven forever.

May God richly bless and save each and every one of us, is my prayer in Jesus' sweet name.

Written by one she loved, Elder Harold Edmonds.

JOSEPH C. PAULEY

Born August 22, 1878 at Sidney, Ky., the son of Shadle and Malinda (Morris) Pauley, and was married to Martha E. Varney, who survives. He was a member of the Regular Baptist Church. The children surviving him are: Mrs. Edna May Aaron of Shelby, N. C.; Charles, Edward, Jack, and Fred, all of Roard Fork; Robert of Turkey Creek; and Frank of Detroit, Mich.; 22 grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Brothers and sister are: Tobe and Willie of the state of Washington; John and Tom of Sidney, Ky.; Mrs. Alex Lowe of Toler, Ky.; Mrs. James Sandefur of Sidney, Ky; and Mrs. John Halwehelm of Parkersburg, W. Va. Brother Joe was baptised by Elder Jonah Bevins and Elder James G. Thorns-bury July 15, 1951. Deceased September 30, 1956, having passed 78 years in age. One son, James Pauley, preceded him in death.

When Jesus calls His Jewels home,
Upon this earth, no more to roam,
No more to greet loved ones below,
In God's Heaven will be our dear good Joe.
When gone away, the flight was far,
Leaving the memory of his own Day Star,
To shine for us all, both day and night,
For Jesus is the way, the Truth, and the Light.
He speaks no more from mortal breath,
The breath of life speaks greater knowledge,
Words may vanish in earthly stealth,
For lack of wisdom, not taught in college.

Submitted by A. M. Varney, Clerk of Salem Church.

By request of the family, I now endeavor to write the obituary of this deceased Brother. He was born April 5, 1877, the son of the late Joseph and Matilda (Scott) Staton, and was married to the former Laura Reed, who survives. He was a member of the Salem Regular Baptist Church at Goody, Ky. In addition to his wife, he is survived by 10 children: Mrs. Harin Harmon of Clovis, N. M.; Mrs. Floyd Williamson, Mrs. Gladys Runyon, and Mrs. Okey Blackburn, all of Williamson; Mrs. Robert T. Meadows of Road Fork; Mrs. Walter Blackburn of Thomasville, N. C.; Carl of Donaldson, Tenn.; Troy of Williamstown, W. Va.; Woodrow and James, both of New Iberia, La.; 29 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. T. A. West of West Williamson. Brothers: Willis Staton of Gallion, Ala.; Jim Staton, Inez, Ky.; Roland and Grover Staton, Both of Road Fork.

Brother Willard joined the Regular Baptist Church June 8, 1947. Baptized at the hands of Elders B. H. Bevins and Ester Hopkins. Deceased August 22, 1958, being 81 years, 3 months, and 16 days old.

These things are written as a gem of memory, reflecting Brotherly Love in the passing shadows of this life, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. When Brother Willard shall lay down his talents before God, the increase of his faith will reap **Life Everlasting**. He has taken Jesus into his home. On many occasions the Brethren have assembled there, and feasted on Heavenly Bread, which is food for the soul. May God bless Sister Laura, and all the family.

To read this is but brief,
But, true memorials live forever;
God knows the burden of our grief,
And Godly love, He will not sever.
May we all unite in one prayer,
To do the works already done;
To yield ourselves is more than fair,
Jesus paid the price for every one.

Submitted by A. M. Varney, Clerk of Salem Church.

SISTER MATILDA (MAE) MCCOY

By request I tender my feeble service to write this obituary, not only in love, but with compassionate love and pity, for the long endurance of pain and bodily misery, enveloping

her heart also to be alone and suffer. Her sickness covered more than 27 years. Many years helpless. Sister Mae was the daughter of the late Lewis and Abba (Scott) Smith, born March 21, 1890, Deceased August 6, 1958, making her life span 67 years, 4 months and 14 days. She was united in marriage to Victor McCoy, and to this union was born 10 children, five of whom preceded her in death.

Living sons are Homer of Mullins, W. Va.; Condor Lewis of U. S. Marines, Paris Island, S. C.; Clarence of Road Fork, Ky. The Daughters are: Mrs. Lucine Gilton of Cleveland, Ohio; and Mrs. Lorraine Robinette of Road Fork, Ky.:

Sister Mae joined the Regular Baptist Church on the first Sunday in July, 1929, and was baptized at the hands of Elder Ester Hopkins and Elder R. A. Damron.

A smile would witness her faith in God, even unto the end. She feebly expressed hope to join with her Mother in Heaven, and when she could say no more at one time, she pointed upward—soon after this a loving Sister had gone to sleep in Christ.

A dear Sister, who loved us all,
Now, hath answered Heaven's call;
She leaves nothing, but her love,
In the arms of Grace, with God above.

Submitted by A. M. Varney, Clerk of Salem Church.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren and Sisters of the Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist:

In answer to your request at the last session of the Association, I will endeavor to write a Circular Letter, hoping that it will meet with your approval when you assemble again with the Tabitha Church, Friday, before the second Saturday in September, 1958. I am trusting that the Lord will direct my mind and my pen and help me to write to the best of my ability.

The subject will be found in the Book of Second John, part of the first verse. "The Elder unto the Elect Lady and her children whom I love in the truth." This inspired apostle knew that he was writing about the gospel church and in his own way, God had shown Solomon her fulfillment. So, 8:10. So Brethren it was according to God's divine plan that he would have a gospel church or kingdom in the world. Dan. 2: 44.

Isaiah 46:10 says, "Declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done saying my counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure." First Peter 1:2 says, "Elect according to the fore knowledge of God the Father through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and springing of the blood of Jesus Christ." These were not elected in eternity, but when they received sanctification of the Spirit. Again in Second Thess. 2:13-14, Paul says, "God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth where unto he called you by our gospel to the obtaining of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let me remind you that we were not called before the foundation of the world, not called in all Eternity, but called after the coming of Christ in the gospel dispensation. Second Peter 1:10 says, "Wherefore the rather Brethren give diligence to make your calling and election sure for if ye do these things ye shall never fall."

We shall now consider the great way and manner that God speaks to men. Speaking to Abraham, Paul says in Rom. 4:17, "As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations, before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. Genesis 17:5 teaches us that God began to speak to Abram and said "I have made thee a father of many nations and Abraham was at that time a being in the world. Brethren, we must understand that at that time, Abraham was the father of one child only. (Ishmael) How Plain it is to us now, that the God of all Grace was able to call things that are not as though they were. Isaac, in whom his seed was to be called was not yet born. God used the same manner to teach us of Christ, the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world in Rev. 13:8. Christ was called the Lamb slain from foundation of the world and yet he was not slain until some thousand of years which was at the time of his death on the Cross of Calvary. If the elect are chosen through the sanctification of the Spirit then they could not have been chosen before they are sanctified or sealed by the Holy Spirit. It should be clear to us Brethren, according to God's divine word that we are not elected until we believe and neither are we sealed until after we believe. Paul says in Eph. 1:13, "In whom also after that ye believed ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of Promise." So we see Brethren, it is our faith in Christ that produces our obediences to his com-

mands. We cannot find proof in the scripture anywhere, that God ever elected anyone to eternal life in unbelief. So we see that our belief is the basis for our justification. (Act. 13:39 says, "And by him, all that believe are justified from all things." It is the justification through his blood that is the cause of our love for Christ. Rom. 5:9-10-11. We did not first love God, but God first loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins; and not for our's only, but for the sins of the whole world. First John 2:2. Paul says in Romans 3:21-26, "Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus."

Solomon, as well as many of the other prophets, wrote, as they were moved by the Holy Spirit, many beautiful things concerning the gospel church. He spoke of her as the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys. Sol. 2:1. He also spoke of her as a garden inclosed: a spring shut up, a fountain sealed. Sol. 4:12 tells us, "The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land. Brethren, I believe that the voice of the turtle was none other than John the Baptist and he came on the latter part of the law to gather Israel together. Christ came in the beginning of the gospel era and took the people that John the Baptist had made ready and fulfilled the words of the Prophet.

Psalms 72:16 says, "There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon top of the mountains; the fruit there of shall shake like Lebanon." Christ established the gospel church, the kingdom or as John referred to her, "The Elect Lady and her children," upon the stone, which was Christ, that smote the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth. Dan. 2:35. In Luke 12:32, Christ says, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

Jesus, knowing that he was going back to the Father, delivered the kingdom to those same people, and Daniel 2:44 says that the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. John, who recorded the Revelations of Jesus Christ, saw the names of the twelve apostles who were

Christ, while here on earth, placed every ordinance in the church or kingdom then delivered it to his followers and gave Peter, who was a Baptist preacher, the keys and placed the seal upon the church with his own precious blood. Jesus was the head and the ruler of that church. His blood was in the sanctuary, consequently, any denomination set up after Christ had split his blood on the Cross can only be a man made denomination which is lacking the cleansing blood. None of the ordinances of Jesus has never been and will never be removed. As the prophet Isaiah said in Isaiah 33:20, "Not on of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken."

Ezekiel 44:5 says, "Son of man, mark well, and behold with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the Lord, and all the laws thereof." So we see Brethren, according to the scriptures, the ordinances of the Lord were placed in the Church and only the children of God can keep them blameless.

Brethren, we do not keep the ordinances of God in order to save our souls, but we keep them because we have been saved. Only children of God are fit subjects to be baptised in water, to wash the Saints feet or to eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

First Cor. 11:26 says, "For as often as ye eat this bread and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come."

I cannot close this letter without expressing my hope of the resurrection of the dead. After death, our bodies will return to dust, and see corruption, but our souls, which have an immortal subsistence shall return to God who gave them. Eccl. 12:7. Gen. 3:19 says, "For dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return."

The souls of the righteous, which have been made perfect in holiness by being regenerated, born again, sealed by the Holy Spirit of God, are received into the paradise of God where they can be hold the face of him that redeemed them by his blood. Luke 23:43. Second Cor. 5:1-6-8 and Rev. 6:11 says that they will rest and wait for a season for the full redemption of their bodies. Jude 5:6 says that the soul of the unbeliever or ungodly will be cast into hell under darkness unto the judgement of the great day. Second Peter 2:9.

According to Paul's mystery First Cor. 15:42-43-51 says, "The saints which are alive and remain on earth at the com-

changed and all the dead in Christ shall be raised with the self same body qualities having been changed from corruption to incorruption, from mortal to immortal, from natural to spiritual, from weakness to power, and will then be united again to their souls forever.

Written by your Brother in hope of Eternal Life,

Wayne Herald.

CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experiences, we, the churches of Jesus Christ being regularly baptized upon our profession of faith in Jesus Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us and preserve, maintain and keep the rules and orders of an association according to the following form of government:

Article I. The association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches and duly sent to represent them in this association, who shall be members whom they shall think best qualified for the purpose. And, producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seat.

Article II. In the letters from the different churches, shall be expressed their number in full fellowship, their baptized, received by letters, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since the last association.

Article III. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they infringe upon the internal rights of any church in the union.

Article IV. The association, when convened, shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Article V. The association shall have a Moderator and Assistant Moderator, a Clerk and Assistant Clerk, also a Treasurer, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Article VI. New churches may be admitted into our union that shall petition by letters and delegates, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the association and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Article VII. Every church in the union shall be entitled to a representative in the association.

Article VIII. Every query presented by any church to the association bein first debated by their own church, shall be taken up by the association.

by the association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Article X. The association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes of the association.

Article XI. The churches shall send money by the delegates of each church for printing the minutes of the association.

Article XII. There shall be a record book kept wherein the proceedings of every association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary appointed for that purpose.

Article XIII. The minutes of the association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the association rises.

Article XIV. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made at any time, by a majority of the union, when they deem necessary.

Article XV. All matters coming before the association shall be decided by the will of the majority.

Article XVI. The association shall have power:

1. To provide for the general union of churches.
2. To preserve inviolable a chain of communication among the churches.
3. To give the churches all necessary advice in matter of difficulty.
4. To inquire into the cause when the churches fail at any time to present themselves in the association.
5. To appoint any member by and with their consent to transact any business which they think necessary.
6. The association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union which shall violate the rules of the association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.
7. To admit any orderly minister of our order to a seat with us in the association.
8. The association shall have power to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches of the union. That no minister shall be ordained unless forwarded by the church, and it shall require two or more ordained ministers to compose a presbytery for that purpose.

Article I. We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a perfect treasure of Heaven by institution, that it has God for its Author; salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us and, therefore, is and shall remain to the end of the world the true center of Christian union and the supreme standard by which all human conduct and opinions shall be tried.

Article II. That there is one and only one true and living God, whose name is Jehovah the maker and the supreme ruler of Heaven and earth, inexpressible, glorious in holiness, worthy of all possible honor, confidence and love, revealed under the personal relation of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and executing distinct, but harmonious, offices in the great work of redemption.

Article III. That man was created in a state of holiness under the law of his maker, but by voluntary transgression, fell from that holy and happy state, in consequence of which all mankind are now sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being by nature utterly devoid of that holiness, required by the law of God, wholly given to the gratification of the world, to Satan, and their ever sinful passions, and, therefore, are under just condemnation to eternal ruin without defense or excuse.

Article IV. That the salvation of sinners is wholly of grace, the meritorious offer of the son of God, who took upon Him our nature yet, without sin honored the law by His personal obedience and made atonement for our sins by his death being risen from the dead, he is entered into Heaven and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with divine perfection, is in every way qualified to be a suitable, a compassionate, and an all sufficient Saviour.

Article V. That the great gospel blessing which Christ in his fullness bestowed in such as believe in him, is justified and that justification consists in the pardon of his sins and the promise of eternal life on principles of righteousness, that it is bestowed, not in condition of any works of righteousness we have done, but through his own righteousness.

Article VI. That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel, and that it is the immediate duty of all to accept them by a cordial and obedient faith.

Article VII. That in order to be saved, we must be regenerated or born again, that regeneration consists in giving holy disposition to

calculation by the power of the Holy Spirit so as to secure our voluntary obedience to the Gospel and its proper evidence is found in the holy fruit which we bring forth to the glory of God.

Article VIII. That such only are real believers as endure to the end, that their persevering attachment to Christ is the ground work which distinguish them from superficial professors, that a special providence watches over their welfare and they are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation.

Article IX. That a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of baptized believers associated by a covenant of faith in the Gospel, observing the ordinances of Christ's government by His law and exercising the gifts, rights, and privileges in them by his work, that its only proper officers are bishops or pastors and deacons, whose qualification claims and duties are described in the Epistles of Timothy and Titus.

Article X. That Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, to a solemn and beautiful emblem of our faith in a crucified and risen Saviour, with His purifying power that is presented to the privilege of a Church unto the Lord's Supper in which the members of the church by the use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ, preceded always by a solemn and self examination.

Article XI. We believe that feet washing is an example of Jesus Christ, and ought to be observed and kept up by His Church until His second coming.

Article XII. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust. Also that the happiness of the saints, and the punishment of the wicked are eternal.

Article I. The association to be opened and closed by prayer.
Article II. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Article III. Only one member shall speak at a time and he shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make a speech.

Article IV. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech, except by the Moderator, until he is done speaking, and shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect upon the person who spoke before, nor make remarks on mishaps, failures or imperfections, but shall verily state the cause and matter as nearly as he can, so as to convey his light and idea.

Article V. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without consent of the association.

Article VI. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the association without liberty obtained therefrom.

Article VII. No member of the association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sittings nor whispering in the time of public speech.

Article VIII. No members of this association shall address another by any other term or appellation other than that of brother.

Article IX. The Moderator shall not interrupt a member nor prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light upon the subject, except when he breaks the rules of decorum.

Article X. The names of the several members of the association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Moderator requires.

Article XI. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as another member; provided the chair be filled, but shall have no vote unless the association be equally divided.

Article XII. Any member who shall wilfully and knowingly break any of the rules shall be reproved by the association as it may think proper.

Article XIII. The delegation to be seated in this association shall be limited to three members from each church.

Article XIV. No person shall speak more than five (5) minutes at the same time without liberty obtained from the association.

TOMMY ADAIR	Rt. 1, Box 5, Delbarton, W. Va.
JOHNNIE ADAIR	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
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LESLIE BLAIR	Hunt, W. Va.
CLAUD BROWN	Hardy, Ky.
GROVER CAREY	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
EMMETTE CASE	Canada, Ky.
PERRY CLINE	Baisden, W. Va.
FLOYD CLINE	Baisden, W. Va.
ROSS CLINE	Baisden, W. Va.
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J. H. HENSLEY	Switzer, W. Va.
CLINTON HOWARD	Threeforks, Ky.
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AVERY LOWE	Turkey Creek, Ky.

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 HARVEY LOWE Gulfhore, Ky.
 H. C. MAYNARD Stone, Ky.
 ELDON MAYNARD Citra, Fla.
 W. H. MAY Dingus, W. Va.
 JEFF MAY Dingus, W. Va.
 EDWIN MAY Meta, Ky.
 CARLOS MEADOWS Omar, W. Va.
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 A. A. SHEPHERD Holden, W. Va.
 LEWIS SMITH Hardy, Ky.
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 DOCK SCOTT Hardy, Ky.
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 WILLIE VARNEY Rt. 2, Delbarton, W. Va.
 WILLIE WHITE Lenore, W. Va.
 JONAH ESTER WILLIAMSON Varney, Ky.

Brothers Liberated To Prove Their Gift

WILLARD BLAIR Lenore, W. Va.
 GEORGE HINKLE Sidney, Ky.
 ISAM HANNAH Greenview, W. Va.

Names and Addresses of CLERKS

Mt. Pleasant— Harold Varney Canada, Ky.
 Apple Orchard— Clinton Taylor Heonon, Ky.
 Enon— Ethel Varney McCarr, Ky.
 Rebecca— F. M. Preece RFD 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
 Bent Branch— Forrest Bevins Meta, Ky.
 Sardis— Woodrow Curry Delbarton, W. Va.
 Big Branch— J. L. Nichols Thomas, Ky.
 Mary Elizabeth— Lacy Lowe Hatfield, Ky.
 Bethany— Ellis Davis Box 64, Lenore, W. Va.
 Elk Fork— Dewey Vernatter RFD 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
 Pilgrims Home— Troy T. Francis Box 52, Williamson, W. Va.
 Salem— A. M. Varney Road Fork, Ky.
 Sidney— Stella Maynard Threeforks, Ky.
 Dix Fork— Omer Williamson Canada, Ky.
 Narrows Branch— Dock Scott Hardy, Ky.
 Leannah— T. J. Robinson Moree, Ky.
 Buck Creek— Edna Herald Box 586, Kermit, W. Va.
 Tabitha— Comfort Gilman Barnabus, W. Va.
 Little Rose— Fay Scott Rt. 1, Box 220, Williamson, W. Va.
 Turkey Creek— Fred Lowe Turkey Creek, Ky.
 Samaria— Jeff May Dingess, W. Va.
 Rosa— Dewey Cline Baisden, W. Va.
 Muncey Valley— Elizabeth Adkins Rt. 2, Delbarton, W. Va.
 Little Virgie— Ohlon Justice Rt. 2, Kinper, Ky.
 Southern Home— Elvert Maynard Rt. 1, Box 84, Citra, Fla.

Churches and Delegates	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Received by Restorative	Received by Reconversion	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	Excluded	Total Membership	Church Time	Church Contribution
Mt. Pleasant—James Maynard, George Hinkle, Harold Varner	1	0	0	0	1	3	2	52	2	\$15.00
Apple Orchard—Willis Nichols, John Lowe, Milfrtd Lowe	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	45	1	10.00
Enon—Logan Spencer, Tommy Smith, J. B. Anderson	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	14	1	10.00
Rebecca—A. A. Shepard, Columbus Runyon, Maynard Hay	1	0	0	0	0	3	9	85	2	35.00
Bent Branch—Fred Bevins, John Maynard, Lloyd Sescio	1	5	0	0	5	1	2	68	3	20.00
Sardis—Johnnie Adair, John Evans G. W. Estepp	2	0	0	0	4	0	3	166	4	20.00
Big Branch—J. L. Nichols, Sidney Taylor, Harvey Lowe	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	41	3	15.00
Mary Elizabeth—Lacy Lowe, George Frale, Tommy Jackson	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	38	3	15.00
Bethany—Willie White, Isam Hannah, Ellis Davis	2	0	2	1	0	3	1	65	4	20.00
Elk Fork—Carlos Gibson, Wayne Sheppard, Percy Canterbury	5	0	0	0	0	1	3	75	3	25.00
Pilgrims Home—Jonah Ester Williamson, Emmittee Case, Newton Walters	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	188	4	40.00
Salem—B. H. Bevins, Floyd Morris, Calvin Bevins	5	0	0	0	0	4	2	134	1	40.00
Sidney—Bascom Maynard, Tan Howell, Walker Scott	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25	4	10.00
Dix Fork—H. C. Maynard, J. G. Thornsbury, Charlie Johnson	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	79	1	30.00
Narrows Branch—Lewis Smith, George Stanley, Dock Scott	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	73	4	25.00
Leannah—C. B. Lowe, Pry Lowe, T. J. Robinson	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	2	10.00
Buck Creek—Pete Dials, Chester Dials, Wayne Herald	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	3	10.00
Tabitha—Joe Robinett, Comfort Gillman, Mike Shephard	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	52	1	15.00
Little Rosa—Lace Marcum, Fay Scott, Ireland Harrison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	2	15.00
Turkey Creek—Julius Burgett, Louzie Thomas, Stanford May- nard	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	99	2	20.00
Sameria—Jeff May, James White, W. H. May	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	1	10.00
Rosa—Ross Cline, Uley Perry, Tracy Hatfield	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	92	3	25.00
Muncy Valley—Daniel Roberts, Cecil Evans, Mont Ellis	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	23	3	10.00
Little Virgie—Ohlon Justice, John Scott, Willie Stiltner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	4	10.00
Southern Home—Eldon Maynard, Johnie Blackbur, Hirman Young	2	1	0	0	2	1	0	15	1	10.00
	36	8	3	2	21	26	28	1540	61	\$465.00