



**OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
MINUTES
OF
1964**



MINUTES

OF THE
SEVENTY - SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE

**SARDIS ASSOCIATION
Of Old Regular Baptist**

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
In Session Assembled With**

THE ROSA CHURCH
GILBERT, WEST VIRGINIA

SEPTEMBER 11, 12, and 13, 1964

Elder Willie White - Moderator
Elder Emmett Case - Asst. Moderator
Elder Ellis Davis - Clerk
Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr. - Asst. Clerk

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In session assembled with the Rosa Church, September 11th, 12th, and 13th 1964 at the place where arrangements were made for the preaching. The service was introduced by Elder Jonah E. Williamson followed by the introductory sermon by Elder Edwin May. Text: Isaiah 12:2. Beh God is my salvation. Elder Troy Nicholas introduced led prayer at the house.

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

2. The Association then organized by electing Elder Willie White as Moderator, Elder Emmett Case Assistant Moderator, Elder Ellis Davis Clerk, and Brother Ralph E. Varney, Jr., Assistant Clerk.

3. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments.

4. At the request of the Moderator the Rules of Decorum were read by the clerk.

5. Called for newly organized churches and received none.

6. Called for the letters from Sister Associations and received the following:

NEW SALEM --- By the hands of Wiley Coffee, Tom Nichols, R. E. Holbrook, and Mont Combs.

UNION --- By the hands of Elmer Church, Fon Collins, W. T. Swindall, Evans Bailey, John Hess, W. C. Elk James O'Quinn, John Layne, Ted Parker, W. E. Elk Fred Rice, Jesse Williams, Dempsey Mullins.

PHILADELPHIA --- By the hands of Ira Adkins, Eales Cotton, George Woods, Elmer Rayburn, Sterling Cole, Golden Adkins, and Don Merritt.

MUD RIVER --- By the hands of Gilbert Miller, Bert Hall, Luther Ball and Dow Hurley.

NORTHERN NEW SALEM --- By the hands of Roy B. Akers, Sid Hudson, Harold Varney, John B. Hale, Shade Meeks, Lloyd Smith, and Charles Keese.

FRIENDSHIP --- By the hands of Girlie Crabtree, Floyd Bailey, B. C. Riffe, Nelson Lester, Jimmie Blankenship, Arnold Fuller, Richard Keen, Bogle Matney, Kennis Matney, Richard Belvill, and J. A. Runyons.

THORNTON UNION --- By the hands of Kirby Ison, Raymond Collins, Halie Dyer, and Charlie Cornett.

INDIAN BOTTOM --- By the hands of Beckham Fields, Billy Day, and Alonzo Allen.

7. The foregoing letters were read, received and the delegates seated in council, being given the right hand of fellowship by our Moderator.

8. Called for transient Ministers and members of our faith and order. Received the following: Elder Earl Hopson, Brother Caudell Williamson, Brother Wilford Blair, Elder Harvey Lowe, Elder Tommy Adair, Brother Ralph W. E. Varney.

9. By motion and second, it was ordered that we correspond with the following associations: NEW SALEM, UNION, PHILADELPHIA, MUD RIVER, NORTHERN NEW SALEM, FRIENDSHIP, THORNTON UNION AND INDIAN BOTTOM.

10. Clerk appointed to write letter to corresponding associations.

11. Committee appointed to see that the stand be supplied

as follows: Brother Walter Cline, Brother James Cline, Brother Estel Ritchie.

12. Committee appointed to take care of the visitors as follows: Brother Walter Cline, Brother James Cline, and Brother Estel Ritchie.

13. Committee appointed to arrange the preaching for day night and Saturday, consisting of one member from church and the entire delegation of the Rosa Church, as reported as follows:

FRIDAY NIGHT:

Lloyd Smith
George Woods
Ray Collins

ASSOCIATION:

Northern New Salem
Philadelphia
Thornton Union

SATURDAY

Gilbert Miller
Alonzo Allen
Fon Bowling
Roy B. Akers
Nelson Lester

Mud River
Indian Bottom
Union
Northern New Salem
Friendship

14. Committee on Arrangements appointed consist of one delegate from each church, Moderator, Clerk and I gates from our corresponding associations, to arrange business for Saturday's session.

15. On motion by Elder Lewis Marcum and second Elder J. G. Thornsberry, the association was adjourned til nine o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING

Met pursuant to adjournment and after singing several old songs of Zion, service was introduced by Elder E Church of Union Association followed by prayer by J Ray Collins of Thornton Union Association.

2. Read the Bill of Arrangements and discharged the Committee on same.

3. Appointed a Committee on Finance as follows: Elder B. H. Bevins and Elder Roy B. Akers.

4. Called for Treasurer to report, who reported as follows:

Total on hand for the year ending September 15, 1963 -----	\$668.00
Paid out for printing of minutes -----	\$575.00
Secretary's and Clerk's fee -----	\$ 85.00
Expenses -----	\$ 8.00
Total paid out -----	\$668.00
Received from Churches this year -----	\$602.00
Received from pictures and donations -----	\$ 30.00
Total received -----	\$632.00
Balance on hand for September 13, 1964 -----	\$632.00

5. By motion and second, it is ordered that Elder Ellis Davis be appointed Secretary and Treasurer and that he be allowed \$10.00 for his service.

6. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes and have 3000 copies printed and that he be allowed \$75.00 for his service.

7. Appointed the same Committee to arrange the preaching for Saturday night and Sunday which reported as follows:

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>ASSOCIATION</u>
Elder Wiley Coffee	New Salem
Elder Ellis Davis	Sardis
Elder Tommy Adair	Sardis

<u>SUNDAY</u>	Union
Elder Earl Belcher	

Elder Ira Adkins Philadelphia
Elder Edwin May Sardis
Elder Willie White Sardis

8. By motion and second, it is ordered that our Association be held with the Southern Home Church, Route Citra, Florida.

9. Letters to Sister Associations read and appointed delegates as follows:

NEW SALEM --- B. H. Bevins, Tracy Hatfield, R Cline, Johnnie Cline, Marshall Williams, Donnie Lowe, Perry, Emmett Case, J. G. Thornsberry, Edwin May, Norton Walters, T. R. Boger, Earl D. West, John Mayne Jim Bevins. Letter in the hands of Elder Emmett Case.

UNION --- Cecil Evans, Willie White, Ralph W. Varney, Jr., Willie Varney, B. H. Bevins, J. G. Thornsberry, Emmett Case, Donnie Lowe, T. R. Boger, Tracy Hatfield, Earl West, Uley Perry and Marshall Williams. Letter in the hands of Elder Cecil Evans.

NORTHERN NEW SALEM --- Ken Varney, B. H. Bevins, Edwin Hay, John H. Hensley, Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May, Jim Bevins, Mack Smith, Earl D. West, Russell Thack Emmett Case, Chester Dials, Wayne Hearld. Letter in hands of Elder Edwin May.

PHILADELPHIA --- Ken Varney, Brownie Lowe, B. Bevins, J. G. Thornsberry, Burlin Thornsberry, John Maynard, T. R. Boger, Leslie Blanton, Glenn Taylor, Harold Lowe, H. C. Maynard, Donnie Lowe, Bill Williams, C. I. Brown, Edwin Hay, Tracy Hatfield, Burgess Dials, LeBlaire, Childmer Marcum, Lewis Marcum. Letter in hands of Elder J. G. Thornsberry.

THORNTON UNION --- B. H. Bevins, Emmett Case, G. Thornsberry, Earl D. West, Lewis Marcum, Tracy Hatfield, Donnie Lowe, Newton Walters, and Jimmie Bevins. Letter in hands of Elder Emmett Case.

John Fouch, W. H. May, Burgess Dials, Tracy Hatfield, S. D. Hensley, Joe Robinette, Willie Varney, Charlie Evans, Carlos Meadows, Harvey Lowe, and Jimmie Deeley. Letter in hands of Elder Jeff May.

FRIENDSHIP --- H. C. Maynard, Bill Williams, Mack Smith, S. D. Hensley, John Foutz, Johnnie Cline, Mont Ellis, Carlos Meadows, Charley Evans and Tracy Hatfield. Letter in the hands of Elder H. C. Maynard.

INDIAN BOTTOM --- J. G. Thornsbury, Burlin Thornsbury, Lloyd Sesco, John Maynard, Earl D. West, Clyde Brown, and B. H. Bevins. Letter in hands of Elder Emmett Case.

10. By motion and second it was ordered that Item 11 in the 1962 Minutes be restored which reads as follows: Ordered that we advise the churches in this Union not to receive or retain any one in their fellowship who belongs to any secret order. Amendment: Labor Unions are not included in this order, and any church which fails to comply with this order will be dropped from the Association. Objections by Elder Edwin May. Vote taken. 37 to restore it and 22 not to restore it.

11. Note query concerning bobbed hair and answer: Motion and second to keep the order as it is in the 1963 minutes.

12. Note query concerning Sisters breaking the bread at the communion table and answer: Motion and second to leave the churches as they are.

13. Note request of the Narrows Branch Church and answer: Motion and second to grant the request and publish Elder Otis Hall in disorder.

14. Note obituary of Brother James Blackburn and answer: Motion and second to turn down the request. Objections by Elder B. H. Bevins. Vote taken, 4 to publish it and 26 not to publish it.

15. Note request in changing text of our minutes: Faith and answer. Motion and second to change it to "the fruit of the vine."

16. What shall we do concerning the establishment of advisory council? Move and second to drop this item from our minutes.

17. By motion and second, it is ordered that request Union and Memorial Meetings be published in our Minutes.

18. By motion and second, it is ordered that the obituary of our deceased Brothers and Sisters that are in good standing with the church at the time of death be printed in our minutes. These are to be presented to the Clerk at the end of Association or within ten days thereafter.

19. By motion and second, it is ordered that we advise our Ministers of our Association not to marry people in adultery, where either man or woman has a living wife husband.

20. Shall we receive into our fellowship men or women having more than one wife or husband? ANSWER: We advise the Churches not to receive into their fellowship such, except those who have put away their companions the cause of fornication. Such cases to have Gospel Church evidence of same.

21. By vote, it is ordered that Elder Ross Cline prepare the introductory sermon at our next Association and Elder Wayne Herald be his alternate.

22. By motion and second, it is ordered that we tenour thanks to the Rosa Church, Chapman Lumber Company, Bailey Lumber Company, Sardis Church, Community at Lar Ott Cline and Constable Robert Owens.

23. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Minutes be read, approved and signed by the Moderators and Clerks.

24. By motion and second, it is ordered that we be

This work done and signed by the Sardis Association:
 Elder Willie White -- Moderator
 Elder Emmett Case -- Assistant Moderator
 Elder Ellis Davis -- Clerk
 Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., -- Assistant Clerk.

SUNDAY SERVICE

1. We met at the Rosa Church House with a large congregation of Brothers, Sisters, and friends. After singing several beautiful songs of Zion, service was introduced by Elder Earl Belcher from the Union Association. Song: I Am A Soldier Bound For Glory. Prayer by: Elder Earl Belcher.
2. Elder Ira Adkins of the Philadelphia Association came to the stand and used for a text: Acts 5:20. Go stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.
3. Elder Edwin May of the Sardis Association came to the stand and used for a text: Psalm 61:2. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.
4. Elder Willie White of the Sardis Association came to the stand and used for a text: Revelation 14:1. And I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the Mount Zion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

This association will long be remembered among the brethren, sisters and friends. I humbly hope and trust that the misunderstandings, hurt feelings, and our imperfections will be forgiven us delegates and the Great God of Heaven will receive our work and let it go down on that eternal record for us and not against us.

Dear God, bless every one of us, according to your will, and let us be children in malice, envy and strife and men in understanding.

Service was closed by the way of singing and we shook and rung with the shouts and praises of God by his joying children. Dismissal called by Elder Charley E.

Your Clerk.

UNION MEETINGS AND MINISTERS TO ATTEND

APRIL

SOUTHERN HOME: First Friday, Saturday and Sunday
 Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Elder Willie White, Ellis Davis, Jimmy Deeley, and Willie Varney.

MAY

SALEM: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday at 4:00 P. M. Elders Edwin May and Eales Cotton.

TURKEY CREEK: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday at 4:00 P. M. Elders Wayne Herald, Emmett Case and Willie Stanley.

JUNE

APPLE ORCHARD: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Edwin May and Herff Huff.

ENON: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Grover Adkins, Tracy Hatfield, Ross Case and Jonah E. Williamson.

LITTLE ROSA: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Emmett Case, Wayne Herald, and Lloyd SESCO.

MUNCY VALLEY: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion on Saturday at 5:00 P. M. Elders Wayne Herald, E. May, Willie White and Ellis Davis.

BUCK CREEK: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion on Saturday evening. Elders Eales Cotton, Edwin May, Jonah E. Williamson and Tracy Hatfield.

LITTLE VIRGIE: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Willie Stanley, J. G. Thornsberry, Emmett Case, and Jonah E. Williamson.

SIDNEY: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Johnnie Cline, Ross Cline, Milford Lowe and Ellis Davis.

JULY

DIX FORK: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday at 4:00 P. M. Ira Adkins, Roy Collins, Tracy Hatfield, and Charley Evans.

SAMARIA: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Wayne Herald, Tracy Hatfield, George Woods, Eales Cotton and J. G. Thornsberry.

LEANNAH: Second Saturday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Willie White, Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May, Wayne Herald and Ross Cline.

MT. PLEASANT: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Lloyd SESCO, Grover Adkins, Jonah E. Williamson and Herschell Huff.

BIG BRANCH: Third Saturday and Sunday starting at 1:00 o'clock. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Jeff May, Herschell Huff, Tracy Hatfield and Edwin May.

MARY ELIZABETH: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Willie White, Eales Cotton, George Woods and Wayne Herald.

ROSA: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion third Sunday in July. Elders Edwin May, Troy Nichols and Eales Cotton.

NARKOWS BRANCH: Friday before fourth Saturday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Paris Tackett, Eales Cotton, Edwin May and Tracy Hatfield.

PILGRIM HOME: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Union Meeting fourth Saturday in July. Elders Baxter Osborn, Tack K. Hall, Mack McCloud, and Ernest Cochran.

AUGUST

TABITHA: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Edwin May, Willie Varney, E. Davis, Willie White, Isom Hannah and Faye Scott.

REBECCA: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Isom Hannah, Eales Cotton, E. W. Clay and Jonah E. Williamson.

ELK FORK: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Cecil Evans, Willie Varney, Charlie Evans and Willie White.

BENT BRANCH: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders John M. Justice, Herschell Huff, Lloyd SESCO with the Moderator.

BETHANY: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Eales Cotton, Ross Cline, H. Maynard, W. H. May and Wiley Coffee.

SARDIS: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Jeff May, J. G. Thornsberry, Isom Hannah, Avery Lowe and George Woods.

PILGRIM HOME: Fourth Sunday. Minister called: E. F. Bowler, Edwin May and Elmer Church.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS MAY

LITTLE VIRGIE CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1965. All Reg

Baptist ministers invited.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Pete McCoy and son, Jim Ratliff and family and others will be held on the Ratliff's Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in May 1965. Ministers called: Charlie Johnson, Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Ernest Cochran and Emmett Case.

TABITHA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday in May 1965 for all the Brethren and Sisters of the Tabitha Church that have departed this life and gone on. Ministers called: Willie Varney, Carlos Meadows, and Isam Hannah.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held at Jobe Blackburn May 30th, 1965. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Wayne Herald, Edwin May and Tracy Hatfield.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Pigeon Roost Branch Cemetery, Route 1, Delbarton, W. Va., on Sunday following the fourth Saturday in May 1965. Ministers called: Faye Scott, John Fouch, Charlie Evans and Willie White.

NARROWS BRANCH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1965. Ministers called: Jonah E. Williamson, Edwin May, Wiley Coffee and Ernest Cockron.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased on the Muncy Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in May 1965. Ministers called: Edwin May, Emmett Case, and Wayne Herald.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Runyon's Cemetery on Long Branch for all the deceased on Sunday nearest May 30, 1965. Ministers called: Jeff May, Faye Scott, and Avery Lowe.

MEMORIAL MEETING of John Jude will be held on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in May 1965. Ministers called: Clinton Howard, J. L. Nichols, Milford Lowe and Willis Dials.

ELKFORK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in May, 1965. Ministers called Willie White, Cecil Evans, Isam Hannah, Willie Varney and Charle Evans.

JUNE

SOUTHERN HOME CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the first Sunday in June 1965. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Marvin Stanley Cemetery on Dix Fork on the third Sunday in June 1965 3:00 o'clock. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, Charlie Johnson and H. C. Maynard.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother James and Sister Be Gilman and others will be held on the third Sunday in June 1965 at the Cemetery where they are buried, just above the Elk Fork Church. Ministers called: Cecil Evans, Willie Varney, Isam Hannah, Eales Cotton, Lewis Marcum and Avery Lowe.

ROSA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday in June 1965 at the Cline Cemetery. Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

BENT BRANCH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in June 1965. Ministers called: Emmett Case, Edwin May, Jonah E. Williams with the Moderator.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother William, and Sister Cora and Ida Riffe will be held on the first Sunday in June 1965. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Cecil Evans, Charlie Evans, and Carlos Meadows. This will be held on the Runyon Cemetery at Hanover, West Virginia.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder W. H. Hurley will be held at the Estep Cemetery on the Duncan Fork of Trace Creek on Sunday after the second Saturday in June 1965. Ministers

Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Ernest Cochran.

JULY

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Sunday in July 1965 at the Justice Cemetery, Lando Mines, West Virginia. Ministers called: Willie White, Cecil Evans, Ellis Davis and Fales Cotton. In memory of Sister Dolly Justice and her daughter Rebecca Vinson.

BUCK CREEK will hold a memorial meeting of Brother Jessie Maynard and others on the third Sunday in July 1965. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Willis Dials, and Milford Lowe.

MEMORIAL MEETING OF J. M. Taylor and family, Brother Flem Maynard and family, and all others at the Taylor Cemetery will be held on the Taylor Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in July 1965. Ministers called: Edwin May, Ernest Cochran, Jeff May, Tracy Hatfield and Herschell Huff.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the

nah, and Linda Sue Taylor fourth Saturday in July 1965. J. L. Nichols, Edwin May,

MEMORIAL MEETING of Jobe Blackburn at Pilgrimage first Sunday in July 1965. Jeff May, Ernest Cochran

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH on Long Branch on the third called: Charlie Johnson, H Dinner near by.

MEMORIAL MEETING on the Julius Scott Cemetery after the third Saturday in C. Maynard, Edwin May, son and Wayne Herald.

MEMORIAL MEETING others will be held on the Sunday after the second Sabbath Baptist Ministers invited.

MEMORIAL MEETING

AUGUST

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held for Brother Mosey Dials and others near Inez, Kentucky, Sunday, August first, 1965. Ministers called: Elders J. L. Nichols, Tracy Hatfield and Edwin May.

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Dillon Cemetery, three miles from Dingess, West Virginia, near the church house and across from Brother Everett Hannah's home, on the first Sunday in August 1965. Ministers called: Willie White, Isom Hannah, and W. H. May.

ENON CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in August 1965. All Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held for Brother Andy Maynard and others on the second Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1965. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Emmett Case, Jonah E. Williamson, and Lloyd SESCO.

BETHANY CHURCH will hold its memorial meeting at the same time as the Union Meeting, the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August 1965. Ministers called: Elias Cotton, W. H. May, Ross Cline, H. C. Maynard and Wiley Coffee.

on the second Saturday and called: Wayne Herald and

SIDNEY CHURCH will deceased members of the Sunday and Sunday in August 19 Jeff May, Wayne Herald,

LEANNAH CHURCH will the deceased buried on the L tucky, on Sunday after the Ministers called: Harvey ward, Tracy Hatfield, and

SAMARIA CHURCH will Hannah Cemetery in the h Virginia, on the third Sunday: Faye Scott, W. H. Ma

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Henry the fourth Saturday in August Cochran, Edwin May, J. I

MEMORIAL MEETING

grandchildren and others, will be held at the Hays Lowe Cemetery on the first Sunday in August 1965. Ministers called: Ireland Harrison, H. C. Maynard, Charlie Johnson and Wayne Herald. There will be dinner on the ground.

SEPTEMBER

MEMORIAL MEETING on the Joe Taylor Cemetery will be held on Sunday after the first Saturday in September 1965. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols and Ernest Cochran.

MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH will hold a memorial of Elder Wallace Jackson and others on Sunday after the third Saturday in September 1965. Ministers called: Charlie Johnson, Grover Adkins and Jonah E. Williamson.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Rosco McCoy and others will be held on the third Sunday in September 1965. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe, Ernest Cochran and Edwin May.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder W. H. Bowling, wife and family will be held at Tom Price School House, Pisco, Kentucky on the first Saturday and Sunday in September 1965. Ministers called: Ireland Harrison, Emmett Case, Edwin

ett, beginning October 2nd, on Sunday. Ministers called: Davis, Cecil Evans, Carlo;

SALEM CHURCH will hold Saturday and Sunday in October Wayne Herald, B. H. Bevir

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH on the second Saturday and Ministers called: H. C. Maynard field.

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH on the second Saturday and Sunday called: Johnny Hall, Emmett Bowling.

PILGRIMS HOME CHURCH on the fourth Saturday and Sunday lar Baptist Ministers are in

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold Scott Cemetery near Jack J second Saturday in October Dials, Edwin May, J. L. N

He was married to Tilda Jude. He is survived by his wife and the following children to mourn his loss: May Kazee and Johnny of Inez, Kentucky, Mary Preece, Vernal and Willis of Pilgrim, Kentucky. Chester of Columbus, Ohio, and Norma Coeburn of Loraine, Ohio. He had four children who preceded him in death.



He confessed a hope in Christ and was baptised by the hand of the writer on the fourth Saturday in June, 1963. I believe our loss is heaven's gain, as the writer says, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, from henceforth, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them." I want to say to the family, home is lonely in this world without Daddy, but some sweet day you can meet Daddy again, where the family circle will not be broken.

But thanks be unto God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. I want to say to my brethern in the Lord, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Written by one in hope of eternal life, Willis Dials, his son.

one indeed, loved by all knew her.

She was born October 1865 at Canada, Kentucky six months and twenty one D. and Celia Smith West, McCoy who preceded her Regular Baptist Church. Victor McCoy of Forest Hills of Forest Hills, Fred McCoy of Coolville, Ohio, W. J., McCoy of Williamson, Weeded her in death, and Ernest tiny not known. Also there The memory of good mother earth" than all the law of charm of heaven surround God's throne. To deny a cross of Jesus Christ. Ye ajar when Aunt Polly's soul grace is sufficient", the being sown in her heart, there is no decaying flower

Greetings to all the good by her nephew, Matt Varn her family.

Williamson, West Virginia,
Mrs. Bonnie Jean Teeters of
Columbus. Wallace Harold, Thomas Sherman, and Rebecca
Jane all at home.

Dad passed away at the Medical Center at South William-
son, Kentucky, on September 30, 1963. Dad was a member
of the Mary Elizabeth Regular Baptist Church at Hatfield,
Kentucky. At the church he served as a deacon for eight
years and a clerk for nine years. He was baptized by Elder
Wallace Jackson and Elder Lark Lowe, on October 29, 1933.

Dad was a devout christian, a loving daddy to his child-
ren and grandchildren, a good husband to our mother, a
neighbor to those far and near. He was gentle to those who
were sick and shut in. To the needy, he reached out a help-
ing hand. His greatest joy in life was serving the Lord Jesus
Christ. Dad told me just a few hours before he entered into
his rest that he had had a dream the night before. He asked
me to relay it to you. He said he came up to the pearly gates
but could not get in at that time. He said Jesus was there at
the gate and he asked Him if he could come in. Jesus replied
to him, "not yet, but it won't be long." Dad said he could
see inside the gate and that was the most beautiful place he
had ever set his eyes upon. He could never describe it's
beauty. He said he wanted to go there as soon as possible,
and that he would never be satisfied till he reached that City.
It seemed as though the spirit of God filled his soul as he was

With much sadness I w
dear sweet mother, Stella
November 21, 1892. She w
garet Blackburn McCoy. S
in the year of 1921, August
children, one son, Ira, two
and Mrs. Irene Griffey of
Mother joined the Old F
1955. Mother enjoyed going
seat in the church. Also,
people. Her doors were al
neighbors. The life she liv
meet her some sweet day.
1964 making her stay on
days.

Now to all of us childr
and many friends she had,
us while she was living. No
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waiting to do for all who w
Written in hope of eter
Ivory and her sister, Timi

as his obituary was too late to be put in the 1963 Minutes and his wife and children have requested me to write one for this year.

Brother Clarence was born September 2, 1904 and deceased June 1, 1963, making his stay here on earth 58 years, 8 months and 29 days. Left to mourn his loss are two broth-



ers, Homer and Tremble McCoy, two half brothers, Ken Varney and Bill McCoy, five sisters, Mrs. Hattia Mounts, Mrs. Pricy Jude, Mrs. Velve Vancicle, Mrs. Tressie Vancicle, Mrs. Mary Picket and one half sister, Mrs. Fannie Treint.

He was married to Iva Nelson, August 1929 and to this union were born seven children, Mrs. Nadine Rose, Mrs. Oseler Striekl and, Mrs. Margaret Akers, Mrs. Betty Williamson, Mrs. Faye Woods, James Jackson McCoy and Kenneth Clarence McCoy; thirteen grandchildren, of which two preceded him in death. There is also a great host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. He was loved by almost everyone who knew him.

The Church has lost a good member and we miss him very much. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church February

you, so shall judgement re-
told you and lay it near you
that shines in a dark place
star arise in your heart; di-
nigh to you; seek and you
opened unto you; cleanse y
you do these things you too
Written by a Brother in hop
cum.

SISTER HEY

I will try to write the ob-
(Caines) Maynard. She wa
parted this life August 7, 1

She was married to the I
were born five sons, Condo
of Meta, Kentucky. Bill M
Oscar Maynard who prece
Grandmother joined the

ary 20, 1956 and was baptiz
Case and Elder Jonah Este
I believe that Grandmoth
suffer again. W r i t t e n b y
Maynard.

left to mourn the loss of a wonderful father and a sweet and loving companion.

The children are six sons named: Frank and John Lowe, of Anthony, Florida, Fred Lowe of Ocala, Florida, Ben Lowe, address unknown, Brown Lowe of South Williamson, Kentucky, and Willis Lowe of Turkey Creek, Kentucky. Four daughters named: Bessie Allen and Sarah Hazel Reed of Turkey Creek, Kentucky, Mary McKelwee, Galena, Ohio, and Sadie Pauley of Chicago, Illinois. Also 58 grandchildren.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church, May 2, Sunday, 1924, and was baptised by Ester Hopkins and Wallace Jackson and placed his membership at the Pilgrims Home Church. In a short time, they gave him license to preach the Gospel, and was ordained. The presbytery were Jona Bevins, Willis Blackburn and Hosie Bolden, and Lark Varney. He and I were given off as an arm of the Pilgrims Home Church to form and organize the Old Regular Baptist Church of Turkey Creek, Kentucky.

He was always faithful to the cause. He would always go when called, near or far, cold or hot, rain or snow.

He filled his seat as long as he could sit in it. He always wanted the brothers and sisters to love one another and to fill their seats in the old church house.

He is sadly missed by his wife, Ellen Lowe and children.

Written by his wife with a sad, aching heart.

And then we turn
Knowing that my
Is now not alone.

He is now among
He takes a peace;
While all of us are
And doing our ve

So God bless you
And all your chil
And I will remem
As I remember y

And then to all th
Please remembe
Look to God for
Don't, please do

Written by Dotty

Now I want to say to the family, if you want to meet mother you will have to repent while in this life. Her husband preceded her in death also. All of her family at home and her friends, as well as the Turkey Creek Church, will mourn her passing, but we hope our loss is God's eternal gain. Sister Kitchen was a loving mother and a good companion. Her life was a endless cord of love, seemingly not to end at her passing, but lingers on as though a bright star has crept into hiding beyond the slopes of a silent hill, leaving a sad and lonely place against the sky. Written by a brother in hope of eternal life, Elder Ken Varney.

BROTHER GEORGE NELSON

It is with much sorrow in my heart that I attempt to write the obituary of a dear brother, George Nelson, son of William and Polly (Fields) Nelson.

He was born November 19, 1899 and was deceased August 10, 1964, making his stay on earth 64 years, 8 months, and 21 days. Brother George confessed a hope in Christ and was baptized by the hands of Elders Ernest Runyons and Lewis Marcum 23 years ago.

He was married to Mrs. Rebecca Marcum and to this union were born ten children, five boys and five girls. One preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, children, Frank, Dewey, Rush Jay, Roscoe, Polly, Alice, Mary Bell, Martha Nell, and Dorothy Sue. Brothers Tom,

SISTER LUCINDA

Sister Lucinda (Lucy James and Betty Farley G Delbarton, West Virginia, 28, 1963, making her stay twenty four days.

Sister Lucy was married in 1924, and to this union we preceded her in death. Sister Ann Harrington all living.

She was a member of the Baptist, being baptised at June 6, 1921. She remained until death and during her last the church to pray for her

Sister Lucy leaves her sisters and a great host of relatives.
loss.

Sister Lucy's presence missed, but we feel our loss.

May I say to Sister Lucy and many friends, if you will have to except Jesus to believe she is in Heaven
Written by Elder Ellis

19 days. She was married to Pearl Fife July 7, 1904, and

to this union was born one child who preceded her in death.

Besides her husband she leaves two sisters, Liddie Cline and Myrtle Cline of Panther, West Virginia and two half brothers, Harry Anglin of Richwood, West Virginia, and Oscar Anglin of San Cloud, Florida. Two half sisters, Maudie Weaver of Charleston, West Virginia and Pearl Snelenburg of Pineville, West Virginia. She also leaves a foster daughter Norma Snelenburg Ralston and four grand-children of Marion, Ohio.

She was baptised at the hand of Elder Robert Rife at Panther Creek into the fellowship of the Friendship Association of Regular Baptist with the Panther Creek Church. She later brought her letter to the Salem Church at the mouth of Pond Creek for her convenience.

Sister Fife was afflicted for the past years and could not get around much, but she bore her sickness with much patience not complaining much. She would say, "we didn't come here to stay always." She always asked about the brothers and sisters and the Church.

Now her husband has come to the Old Regular Baptist Church. To the rest of her relatives and friends, if you want to see her again, you must seek the Lord and repent. Read the Bible for yourselves. So many just take what someone else says, and don't check to see if they are right or wrong.

Harry Evans. Sister Virgie survived by three daughter Mrs. Hester Frye, Mrs. Vivian McClough, and Mrs. Gladys Flemmings, and three sons; Carl, Andrew, and Jack. Sister Tabitha Church in the year husband, Brother Pat Smith June 8, 1943, Sister Virgie Church, and there remaine death. By a dream, as was she was still in a lost condition Hospital. Again she came baptized into our Fellowship! Brother Charley Evans, and I would hope that Brother I would explore the Doctrine of Fathers home. I must say that will not obligate God to saveence what they believe. Only Power of God is absolute to women. I was reared in the children and have a warm feeling the Old Church. Not only fathers, sons and daughters
Written by Rush Hensley

1915. To this union were born five children, four sons and one daughter. One son, William



Henry Hannah preceded him in death, leaving behind his wife, Amanda Hannah of Route 1, Kermit, West Virginia. Three sons, Orland Hannah of Route 1, Kermit, West Virginia, James Hollie Hannah of Dingess, West Virginia, and Elder Isom Hannah of Man, West Virginia, one daughter, Elizabeth Brewer of Lenore, West Virginia; also 19 grandchildren and one great grandchild. Uncle Joe started to make heaven his home as a young man and was a member of the Samaria Church Regular Baptist. Uncle Joe loved the church and would walk about eight miles across two hills to get to the Samaria church in his late seventies. Uncle Joe's life in our country was a great land mark or as a path that leads to everything good and just and kind. May I say to his many friends and loved ones, I believe our loss is his eternal gain. He has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith, and there remaineth a rest for the children of God. God has called him home to glory, and we know he had to go. But there remains in our hearts the memory and the love we had for Uncle Joe.

Written by his nephew and brother in Christ Jesus the Lord, Elder Jeff May.

Columbus, Ohio.

Besides his wife and children Charlie Elkins of Hatfield, Kentucky, and relatives to mourn his loss and relatives to mourn his loss

Brother Landon confessed by the hands of Elder Wayne Herald into the fellow Church August 25, 1962. Brother and that was that he would be Church just once. However upon his body prevented him his life on December 28, 1962

I want to say to his children is no longer in agony and pair gain, you must meet Jesus Christ terms that Daddy met Him when you can meet Daddy in Paradise and happiness.

Written by a brother in Christ Ray.

She leaves five sons, thirteen grandchildren, a brother, Mr. John Williamson of Zebulon, Kentucky, a host of friends and relatives, and the entire membership of the Pilgrims Home Church to mourn her death. Sister Truda confessed a hope in Jesus Christ and was baptised into fellowship of the Pilgrims Home Church on Sunday, July 24, 1932, at the hands of Elder Jonah Bevins.

Sister Truda was a devoted wife, a kind and loving mother to her children, and a friend and neighbor to all that knew her. She was always present and willing to devote help during sickness in our community.

Sister Truda has suffered severely in this present world. I must say that she bore her heart aches and suffering without ever complaining. Children, mother's suffering is over. Her soul is housed in Paradise awaiting the Resurrection Day where it will claim its own body and will live for ever and ever with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, in a land where there will be no cancer to eat her body away.

Children, today you must say farewell, mother. If you ever expect to meet mother again you must go where I feel she has gone, and that is to meet Christ. You must meet Christ in a pardon and remission of your sins in order to see mother again.

Written as requested by a brother in hope of life eternal.
James M. Ray.

County, Virginia, son of late Fred and Canzadi De and was married to the form Renda Hodge, who survives. In addition to his wife he is survived by five children, both of Pontiac, N Carolina, Carlos of the U. S. bell, Kentucky and Mrs. Flo. Two step-children, Mrs. L both of Huntington, West V and one great grand child, burn of Forest Hills, Kentucky, Jonesville, Virginia. Two children of Grundy, Virginia. 7 ceded him in death.

He was a member of the and the UMW.A.

He professed a hope in Elder Harrison Bevins while He was baptized November ins, Charlie Johnson and E We believe our loss is just before he passed to the sleep and nothing was hurt in the arms of Jesus.

later married to Laura May-
nard on June 9, 1909. To this
union were born seven children. Still living are Truly Jude,
Bell Copley and Walker Scott of Threeforks, Sue Pauley of
Pilgrim, Willis Scott of Warfield and Andy H. Scott of Ken-
ova, West Virginia. One child, Eula, preceded him in death.
Pa, as we all liked to call him, was baptized on Septem-
ber 27, 1958, by the hands of Elder Clinton Howard and
brother Milford Lowe. He placed his membership with the
Sidney Church of Regular Baptist, where his seat is now va-
cant, but the life he lived in his last years, makes me believe
that it was a happy exchange for him and by the help of God,
I hope to meet with brother Manford again where death will
separate us no more.

I want to say to my mother, brothers and sisters, who
are on the outside of the ark of safety, if you want to see
father again, you must prepare yourselves while in this life,
for as death finds us, so will the judgment. So my prayer
is for every one of you to seek the Lord while He may be
found, call upon Him while He is near, that you may find
peace for your souls.

He has gone and left us,
Yet his memory here will stay
I hope by God's great mercy
To meet him some sweet day.

Written by his son, Walker Scott

ation.

3. The members thus have no power to lord anyt shall they have any cleric nor shall they infringe on any church in the union.
4. The Association, w by a regular and proper
5. The Association Clerk chosen by the men
6. New churches may who shall petition by lette upon examination to be or received, and every chur titled to a representative
7. Every query pres Association, being first de shall be taken up by the
8. Every motion mad under the consideration of withdrawn by the one wh
9. The Association s church with Minutes of t
10. We think it neces Association fund for defr We think it the duty of eac

14. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present

15. The Association shall have the power for the general union of the churches, to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the churches; to give churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the churches failing to represent themselves at any time in the Association, to appropriate the money contributed by the churches for the Association fund, to any purpose they may think proper; to appoint any member, by their consent to transact any business which they see necessary, and they shall have power to withdraw from any church in the Union, which shall violate the rules of the Association, or diviate from the orthodox principles of religion; to admit any orderly minister of our order to a seat with us. The Association shall have the right to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are

7. We believe that God's church on earth back foremost so as to

8. We believe that mand of the Saviour as the fruit of the vine, and up until his second coming

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Gospel comes under the presbytery of the church

11. We believe it to bers to contribute for penses of the church, cording to their sever

12. We believe that courage or indulge pe to settle down on anyth for salvation is erro

jected by us.

13. We believe tha

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
3. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.
5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.
6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.
7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association and only five minutes at a time.
8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.
9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term of appellation than that of "Brother".

Johnny Adair
Tommy Adair
Straughter Adkins
B. H. Bevins
Leslie Blair
Claude Brown
Clyde Brown
Grover Carey
Emmett Case
Earl Clay
Floyd Cline
Johnny Cline
Ross Cline
Ernest Cochran
Ellis Davis
Burgess Dials
Willis Dials
Mont Ellis
George Elkins
Cecil Evans
Charlie Evans
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- Andrew Maynard
- Eldon Maynard
- Henry C. Maynard
- Carlos Meadows
- J. L. Nichols
- Fay Scott
- Lloyd Sescio
- A. A. Sheppard
- Willie Stanley
- L. C. Swanson
- J. G. Thornsbury
- Ken Varney
- Willie Varney
- Willie White
- Jonah E. Williamson
- Hiram Young

- Willard Blair
- H. J. Deeley
- Roosevelt Lowe
- W. Burbage Mullins
- Mike Sheppard

- Dingess, West Virginia
- Rt. 1, Delbarton, West Virginia
- Ocala, Fla.
- Stone, Kentucky
- Pie, W. Va.
- Heenan, Ky.
- Rt. 1, Box 220, Williamson, W. Va.
- Meta, Ky.
- Holden, W. Va.
- Hardy, Ky.
- 508 20th St., N. W. Roanoke, Va.
- Canada, Ky.
- Box 1942, Williamson, W. Va.
- Lando Mines, W. Va.
- Lenore, W. Va.
- Varney, Ky.
- Rt. 3, Box 406 C., Ocala, Fla.

LICENSED MINISTERS

- Lenore, W. Va.
- Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
- Goody, Ky.
- Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
- Wilson, W. Va.

- Calvin C. Bevins, 209 Mapleawn Ave., N. E. Roanoke, Va.
- J. R. Triplett, Warfield, Ky.
- Omar Williamson, Canada, Ky.
- Clyde Brown, 1613 Pine St., Kenova, W. Va.
- T. J. Robinson, Pilgrim, Ky.
- Jerome Dials, Box 7346, Beauty, Ky.
- Comfort Filman, Barnabus, W. Va.
- Fay Scott, Rt. 1, Box 220, Williamson, W. Va.
- Landon Taylor, Box 93, Turkey Creek, Ky.
- Ersel Prince, Dingess, W. Va.
- Uley Perry, Box 96, Gilbert, W. Va.
- Billy Adkins, Rt. 2, Box 148, Delbarton, W. Va.
- Orville Justice, Kimper, Ky.
- Childmer Marcum, Rt. 1, Box 415, Citra, Fla.

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CHURCH and DELEGATES	MODERATOR			
MT. PLEASANT: James Scott, T. R. Bogor, Harvey May	Emmett Case	0	0	0
APPLE ORCHARD: Willie Nichols, John Lowe, Van Maynard	Emmett Case	0	0	0
ENON: Avery B. Lowe, James Spencer, Jack Farley	J. E. Williamson	2	0	0
REBECCA: Nicholas Runyon, Sr. Edwin Hay, F. M. Preece	Willie White	3	0	1
BENT BRANCH: Lloyd Sisco Edwin May, John Maynard	B. H. Bevins	0	0	0
SARDIS: Willie Varney, J. H. Hensley, H. J. Deeley	Cecil Evans	3	1	1
BIG BRANCH: J. L. Nichols, Landon McCoy, Landon Taylor,	Ernest Cochran	0	0	0
MARY ELIZABETH: Leonard Romans, Donnie Lowe, George Fraley	J. E. Williamson	3	0	0
BETHANY: Evert Hannah, Isom Hannah, Ellis Davis	Willie White	0	0	0
ELK FORK: Anse Curry, Garland Carey, Andrew Maynard.	Ellis Davis	1	0	0
PILGRIM'S HOME: Willard Young, Jonah E. Williamson, Newton Walters	Emmett Case	1	0	0
SALEM: Floyd Morris, Calvin C. Bevins, B. H. Bevins	B. H. Bevins	1	0	0
SIDNEY: Bascom Maynard Ben Maynard, Walker Scott	Milford Lowe	1	0	1
DX FORK: Clyde Brown, J. G. Thornsbury, Ernest Cochran	Ernest Cochran	2	0	0
NARROWS BRANCH: Mack Smith H. C. Maynard, Bill Williams	H. C. Maynard	3	1	0
LEANNAH: Clinton Howard Freelin Jones, Prey Lowe	Willie Dials	0	0	0
BUCK CREEK: Pete Dials, Burgess Dials, Delbert Kazee	Wayne Herald	0	0	0
TABITHA: Charlie Evans, Joe Robinette, John Fouch	J. H. Hensley	3	1	0
LITTLE ROSA: Lewis Marcum, Ireland Harrison, Fay Scott	B. H. Bevins	2	0	0
TURKEY CREEK: Stanford Maynard, Ken Varney, Julious Burret	Charlie Johnson	3	2	1
SAMARIA: Jess May, W. H. May, Sherman May	Jeff May	1	0	0
ROSA: Uley Perry, Ross Cline, Tracy Hatfield	Johnny Cline	2	3	0
MUNCY VALLEY: Cecil Evans Mont Ellis, Billy Adkins	Mont Ellis	2	0	0
LITTLE VIRGIE: Willie Stiltner Alson Thornsbury, Orville Justice.	Edwin May	2	1	0
SOUTHERN HOME: Childmer Marcum, Earl Clay, Johnnie Adair	Tommy Adair	0	2	0
TOTALS		35	11	3