

MINUTES  
OF THE  
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OF THE  
SARDIS ASSOCIATION  
OF OLD REGULAR BAPTIST  
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

In Session with Mt. Pleasant Church  
Sidney, Kentucky

SEPTEMBER 12, 13, and 14, 1969

Elder Edwin May—Moderator  
Elder Wayne Herald—Assistant Moderator  
Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr.—Clerk  
Bro. James M. Ray—Assistant Clerk

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**FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 12, 1969**

The Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist, The Church of Jesus Christ, assembled with the Mt. Pleasant Church, Sidney, Pike County, Kentucky on Friday before the second Saturday in September 1969. The many Brethren, Sisters and Friends assembled in the Church House because of the chilly weather and soon were joyfully singing those old songs of Zion. I could not help rejoicing as I looked upon this beautiful congregation and watched the children of God shake hands with smiling faces and loving hearts in that good old fashioned way! God smiled down upon this old Association from the hour she convened and the chilly, foggy morning gave way to the warm sunshine from His heaven.

Elder Charlie Johnson opened the services about the hour of 9:30 a.m. and preached of love from the depths of his heart.

Elder Steve Robinson, Jr. led in prayer.

Elder Wayne Herald preached the Introductory Sermon using Daniel 2:44 for his Text: "And in the days of these Kings shall the God of Heaven set up a Kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the Kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these Kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever." Brother Wayne was blessed beyond measure to preach of this Kingdom and, with the Bible for a foundation and History for evidence, he traced this Kingdom from Daniel down to the present day.

The Delegates from the several Churches of the Sardis Association along with the Delegates from the Sister Associations remained in the Church House where arrangements had been made for the work of the Sardis Association, while the many Brethren, Sisters and Friends were dismissed to assemble at the Stand where arrangements had been made for preaching.

Elder Banner Mann, New Salem Association, addressed the Brother Delegates and spoke with deep understanding of the need for Churches and Associations to come closer together and work in love and in order. Brother Mann then led in prayer.

Our beloved Moderator, Elder Edwin May, was unable to attend the Association because of a heart attack but I know Brother Ed was with us in prayer and in spirit. Therefore, our loving and very capable Assistant Moderator, Elder Wayne Herald, stood as Moderator of the Sardis Association and we proceeded as follows:

(1) The Moderator, Elder Wayne Herald, called for the Letters from the several Sardis Association Churches to be handed in to the Clerk. The Letter from the Mt. Pleasant Church was read by the Clerk and, upon motion by Elder Charlie Johnson and second by Elder Willie Stanley, all Letters were received, the Delegates seated, and Queries and Request were referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

(2) The Association completed its organization by electing the following Officers:

Elder Edwin May, Moderator  
Elder Wayne Herald, Assistant Moderator  
Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Clerk  
Brother James M. Ray, Assistant Clerk

(3) By motion and second it was ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during the setting of the Association.

(4) Committee appointed to see that the Stand be supplied with Ministers and that peace be preserved around the Stand, as follows:

Brother Tommy Smith  
Brother Harvey May  
Brother Monroe Smith

(5) At the request of the Moderator the Rules of Decorum were read by the Clerk. The reading of the Constitution was omitted.

(6) Called for newly organized Churches and, on regular move, second and unanimous consent, received the following:

Pilgrims Rest Church, Piso, Kentucky  
Okeechobee Church, Okeechobee, Florida

These Churches filed Minutes of their organization with the Clerk and these will be filed in the Sardis Association Minute Book along with the work of this Seventy-seventh Annual Session of the Sardis Association.

(7) Called for the Letters from Sister Associations and received the following:

NEW SALEM: Represented by the following Delegates: Estill Hicks, Eli Hicks, Monroe Slone, Burgess Compton, Woodrow Dye, Banner Mann, Butler Howell, Bill Martin, George Wright, Curt Frasure, Henry King, J. M. Johnson, Jinx Ray, Perry Tackett, W. B. Day, Johnnie Hall,

Hall, Jr., Ribern Workman, Holly Warrens, Eppie Holbrooks, Noah Williams, Hobert Bates, Hershell Huff, Glenn Packs, Grover Adkins, Mitchell Chaffins, Clifford Williams, Vernon Rowe and Omer Compton.

UNION: Represented by the following Delegates: John M. Justice, Hamilton Blewins, N. A. England, W. F. Hubbard, Delbert Sanders, Harold Yates, Fred Rowe, Dallas Ramsey, Theodore M. Looney, Chester Belcher, Lawrence Stiltner, John C. Lane, Bruce Mullins, James Gannon, Early Clevinger, Bill Hall, Kit Gibson, Herman West, Cleve West, Andy Bates, Earl Belcher, Thurston Bowman, Fred M. Stiltner, Theodore Looney, Oliver Tackett, Elmer Church, Basil Hackney, Jessie Vires, Crockett Baker and Jesse L. Williamson.

NORTHERN NEW SALEM: Represented by the following Delegates: Charles Keese, Lynn Blewins, H. N. Vanderpool, Paris Tackett, Marion Sword, Ira Kendrick, Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Hiram Adkins and Harold Varney.

PHILADELPHIA: Represented by the following Delegates: Ira Adkins, Eales Cotton, George Woods, Clifford Colley, Addie Scaggs, Rush Stanley, Walter Morrison and Paul Stapleton.

THORNTON UNION: Represented by the following Delegates: R. H. Welch and Frank T. Welch.

MUD RIVER: Represented by the following Delegates: John Fouch, Ernest Breedlove, Luther Ball, Jr., Wilbur Toppins and Cecil Miller.

FRIENDSHIP: Represented by the following Delegates: George Endicut, Hassell Estep, Jess Robinette, George Vance, H. A. Layne, Claude C. Conn and James Layne.

INDIAN BOTTOM: Represented by the following Delegates: Kirby Ison, Ernest Ward, Olus Baldrige, Wade Watts, Melvin Blair and Luther Cook.

(8) The foregoing Letters were read and by regular move and second were received and the Delegates seated with us in council, being given the right hand of fellowship by our Moderator.

(9) The Moderator called for transient Ministers and members of our faith and order and received the following: Lewis C. Marcum, H. Jimmy Deeley, Carlos Gibson, Willie Varney, James M. Ray, Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr. and Henry C. Maynard.

(10) By motion and second it was ordered that we correspond with the NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION, UNION ASSOCIATION, NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION, PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION, THORNTON UNION ASSOCIATION, MUD RIVER ASSOCIATION,

FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION and INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION. The Clerk was appointed to prepare the Letters.

(11) A Committee appointed to take care of the visiting Brethren as follows:

- Brother James Scott
- Brother Monroe Smith
- Elder Harold Edmonds

(12) A Committee was appointed to arrange the preaching for Friday night and Saturday consisting of one Delegate from each Church and the entire Mt. Pleasant Church delegation. They reported as follows:

<b>Friday Night</b>	<b>Association</b>
Elder John Fouts	Mud River
Elder Grover Adkins	New Salem
Elder Roy B. Akers	Northern New Salem

*(It is noted that Elder John Fouts and Elder Grover Adkins were not present on Friday night. Elder George Woods, Philadelphia Association, and Elder Charles Keese, Northern New Salem Association, filled their place and helped Elder Roy B. Akers preach a wonderful meeting.)*

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Association</b>
Elder Mitchell Chaffins	New Salem
Elder Charles Keese	Northern New Salem
Elder Banner Mann	New Salem
Elder Hassel Estep	Friendship
Elder Clifford Colley	Philadelphia
Elder Claude C. Conn	Friendship
Elder Paris Tackett	Northern New Salem

(13) A Committee on Arrangements was appointed consisting of one Delegate from each Church of the Sardis Association, Moderator, Clerk and the entire Delegation from our Corresponding Associations to arrange the business for Saturday's session.

(14) On motion by Brother Clifford Maynard and second by Brother James Scott the Sardis Association was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

**SATURDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 13, 1969**

Met pursuant to adjournment and after singing many of the old time songs of Zion, Elder Kirby Ison of the Indian Bottom Association opened the meeting with preaching. Elder Elmer Church, Union Association, led in prayer. Business then proceeded as follows:

- (1) Called the roll of Delegates and marked the absentees.
- (2) Read the Bill of Arrangements and on regular move and second, received the report and discharged the Committee on Arrangements.

(3) Appointed a Committee on Finance as follows:  
 Brother Clifford Maynard  
 Brother Uley Perry  
 Brother Calvin C. Bevins

This Committee reported \$740.00 received from the several Churches and, after turning this amount over to the Treasurer, was discharged.

*(A discussion on expected costs and the amount of money on hand led to a contribution of money from the House and one from the Stand, the results are included in the Treasurer's report.)*

- (4) Called for the Treasurer to report and, on regular move and second, received the following report:

Balance on hand September 15, 1968 .....	\$1,092.00
Less paid out for 1968:	
Printing Minutes (1968) .....	\$724.55
Mailing and delivery of 1968 Minutes .....	35.00
Typing of 1968 Minutes .....	11.75
Travel expense for Minutes (Kingsport, Tenn.) .....	10.00
Printing of Church and Association Letter .....	79.00
Total paid out .....	860.30
Balance on hand September 12, 1969 .....	\$ 231.70
Add 1969 Receipts:	
Donations from Churches .....	\$740.00
Donations from Congregations: In the House .....	178.00
At the Stand .....	65.00
Received for Pictures .....	75.00
Total 1969 Receipts .....	\$1,058.00
Balance on hand September 14, 1969 .....	\$1,289.70

- (5) By motion and second it was ordered that the Clerk be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for 1969 and that he be allowed \$10 for his services.

- (6) By motion and second it was ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of our Minutes, that he have 4,000 copies printed, and that he be allowed \$100.00 for his services. The Clerk is to reserve 100 copies of our Minutes for New Salem Association, Union Association and Northern New Salem Association and not less than 50 Minutes for all other corresponding Associations.

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

<b>Saturday Night</b>	<b>Association</b>
Elder Hiram Adkins	Northern New Salem
Elder Elmer Church	Union
Elder Hershell Huff	New Salem

*(It is noted that Elder Hiram Adkins and Elder Elmer Church were not present on Saturday night. Elder Roy B. Akers, Northern New Salem Association and Elder Paris Tackett, Northern New Salem Association, filled their place and along with Elder Hershell Huff were blessed to feed a hungry congregation.)*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Association</b>
Elder Clifford Colley	Philadelphia
Elder Mitchell Chaffins	New Salem
Elder Paris Tackett	Northern New Salem
Elder Wayne Herald	Sardis

*(It is noted that Elder Roy B. Akers, Northern New Salem Association, took the place of Elder Clifford Colley who was not present.)*

- (8) The Circular Letter written by Brother James M. Ray was read by him and, on motion and second, was received and ordered printed in our Minutes.

(9) On motion by Elder J. G. Thornberry and second by Elder Steve Robinson, Jr., it was ordered that Elder Charlie Johnson prepare the Circular Letter for presentation at our next (1970) Association.

(10) Letters to the Sister Associations were read by the Clerk and delegates appointed to attend as follows:

**NEW SALEM:** When convened with the Beaver Church, Drift, Floyd County, Kentucky on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 1969.

**ELDERS:** Lloyd Seseo, Charlie Johnson, B. H. Bevins, Edwin May, J. G. Thornberry, Lewis Marcum, J. L. Nichols, Ross Cline, Wayne Herald, John Lowe, Tracy Hatfield, Carlos Gibson and H. Jimmy Deeley.

**BROTHERS:** Joe Warrix, Clifford Maynard, Ralph Smith, Floyd Williamson, Clayton Burris, Uley Perry, T. R. Boger, Frankie White, Leroy Reed, Marshall Williamson and Delbert Kazee. Letter in the hands of Elder Charlie Johnson.



**UNION:** When convened with the Samaria Church, Wolfpit, Pike County, Kentucky on Friday before the third Saturday in September 1969. **ELDERS:** Charlie Johnson, Willie Stiltner, Alson Thornbury, Lewis Marcum, J. G. Thornberry, Maynard Hay, Tracy Hatfield and H. Jimmy Deeley. **BROTHERS:** Ralph Smith, Delbert Kazee, Clifford Maynard, John J. Scott, Marshall Williamson, Newton Walters, T. R. Boger, Willard Young, Frankie White, Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr. and Ralph W. E. Varney, Sr. Letter in the hands of Elder J. G. Thornberry.

**NORTHERN NEW SALEM:** When convened with the Little Polly Church, Marshall, Michigan on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1970. **ELDERS:** Edwin May, Charlie Johnson, John Lowe, Lloyd SESCO, Claude Brown, Tracy Hatfield, Alson Thornbury, J. G. Thornberry and H. Jimmy Deeley. **BROTHERS:** Leroy Stanley, Chester Dials, Chester Combs, Marshall Williamson, Clifford Maynard, Julius Cochran and Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr. Letter in the hands of Elder Lloyd SESCO.

**PHILADELPHIA:** When convened with the Little Rosa Church, Smith Branch, Lloyd, Kentucky on Friday before the second Saturday in August 1970. **ELDERS:** Charlie Johnson, Lewis Marcum, H. C. Maynard, Ernest Cochran, Ellis Davis, Willie White, George Fraley, Wayne Herald, Maynard Hay, Harvey Lowe, Milford Lowe, Ed. Runyon, Tracy Hatfield, S. B. Fraley, Edwin May, J. G. Thornberry and H. Jimmy Deeley. **BROTHERS:** Julius Cochran, Delbert Kazee, Donnie Lowe, Chester Dials, Tom Robinson, Floyd Williamson, Leroy Reed and Clayton Burris. Letter in the hands of Elder J. G. Thornberry.

**THORNTON UNION:** When convened with the Thornton Church, Mayking, Letcher County, Kentucky on Friday before the third Saturday in August 1970. **ELDERS:** Lewis Marcum, B. H. Bevins, Charlie Johnson, Edwin May and Claude Brown. **BROTHERS:** Willard Young, Ralph W. E. Varney, Sr., Newton Walters, Marshall Williamson, Joe Warrix, Delbert Kazee and Julius Cochran. Letter in the hands of Elder Claude Brown.

**MUD RIVER:** When convened with the Mt. Zion Church, Pecks Mill, Logan County, West Virginia on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 1970. **ELDERS:** Wayne Herald, Carlos Gibson, Tracy Hatfield, Maynard Hay, Ed. Runyon and Lewis Marcum. **BROTHERS:** Joe Rob-inette, Delbert Kazee, Clayton Burris, Floyd Williamson, Leroy Reed and Frankie White. Letter in the hands of Elder Tracy Hatfield.

**FRIENDSHIP:** When convened with the Guyandotte Church, Herndon Heights, Wyoming County, West Virginia on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 1970. **ELDERS:** Edwin May, Charlie Johnson, J. G. Thornberry, H. C. Maynard, Carlos Gibson, Charley Evans, Steve Robinson, Jr., Mont Ellis and Claude Brown. **BROTHERS:** Burlin Thornbury,

Albert Stanley, Dan Gillman and Julius Cochran. Letter in the hands of Elder J. G. Thornberry.

**INDIAN BOTTOM:** When convened with the Cedar Grove Church, Hallie, Letcher County, Kentucky on Friday before the first Saturday in September 1970. **ELDERS:** John Lowe, Charlie Johnson, Edwin May, Lloyd SESCO, J. G. Thornberry, Carlos Gibson, Tracy Hatfield and Wayne Herald. **BROTHERS:** Clifford Maynard, Marshall Williamson, Willard Young, Rass Smith, Clayton Burris, Frankie White, T. R. Boger, Leroy Reed, Monroe Smith and Newton Walters. Letter in the hands of Elder Wayne Herald.

(11) A Request from Sidney Church and a similar Request from Buck Creek Church, to do away with our present Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith and to adopt those in our 1935 Minutes, were considered together. The Association by regular move and second decided to keep the ones we now have.

(12) A motion by Elder Ellis Davis to reprint Item No. (11) of our 1968 Minutes met with a second by Elder John Lowe and an objection by Elder J. G. Thornberry. Voting of the Delegates showed 32 in favor of the motion and 36 against it. Item No. (11) of our 1968 Minutes is still an Order of the Sardis Association in full force and effect but is just not reprinted.

(13) By regular move and second it was ordered not to reprint Items No. (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (18), (24) and (25) of our 1968 Minutes. These Items are not done away with but are just not reprinted.

(14) A request from Tibitha Church to drop Charles S. Frye from our list of Ordained Ministers, because he withdrew from that Church after being told that Tibitha Church could not keep him on Recommendation but only through an experience and baptism, was granted by regular move and second. Therefore, Charles S. Frye is not preaching under the patronage of the Tibitha Church nor of the Sardis Association.

(15) The Association by regular move and second said, that if a Sister has cut her hair she should be asked to let it grow out; if she fails to do so and cuts her hair again she will be excluded.

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

(17) A motion and second to reprint Item No. (21) of our 1968 Minutes met with an objection by Elder Willis Dials. Voting of the Delegates showed 60 in favor of reprinting the Item and 2 against it. The Item reads as follows:

"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 any such, except those who have put away their companion for the cause of fornication; such cases to have Gospel or Church evidence of same."

(18) By motion and second it is ordered that request for Union and Memorial Meetings be published in our Minutes.

(19) By motion and second it is ordered that Obituaries 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 the Association.

(20) By motion and second it was ordered that the picture of an Elder's wife presented with her Obituary be printed without charge.

(21) In answer to a Request from Pilgrim's Home Church to grant a request of Elder Jonah E. Williamson to print the Obituary of his daughter, Fayetta Williamson Muncy, in our Minutes, the Association by regular move and second granted their Request.

(22) Brethren called in Union Meetings and in Associations last year made their reports which were received and their failures excused. Our Brethren did a good job of filing their appointments.

(23) A Request for the 1970 Sardis Association was received from Southern Home Church and from Leannah Church. By motion and second it is ordered that our next Association meeting be held with the Leannah Church beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September 1970. Leannah Church is located in Martin County, Kentucky, near Pilgrim, Kentucky, on the Meat House Fork of Wolf Creek, and about 16 miles from Lovely, Kentucky on Route 1714. Beginning at Lovely, Kentucky we will have signs up to show the way.

Directions from Pikeville, Kentucky are: Route 119 to Sidney, Kentucky (where our 1969 Association was held) then Route 468 to junction of Route 292 (on the Kentucky side of the Nolan, West Virginia toll bridge) then left hand turn onto Route 292 to Lovely, Kentucky and then Route 1714. (You can also go on to Williamson, West Virginia from Pikeville, Kentucky and see below for directions from Williamson, West Virginia.)

Directions from Williamson, West Virginia are: Route 52 to Kermit, West Virginia, cross the toll bridge into Kentucky and turn left onto Route 292 to Lovely, Kentucky and then Route 1714. (You can also cross Tug River at Williamson, West Virginia into South Williamson, Kentucky, then to Appalachian Regional Hospital, then Route 292 to Lovely, Kentucky and then Route 1714.)

Directions from Paintsville, Kentucky are: Route 40 to Inez, Kentucky and to the Kentucky side of the Kermit, West Virginia toll bridge, then Route 292 to Lovely, Kentucky and then Route 1714.

(24) A regular move and second that Elder Jeff May preach the Introductory Sermon at our next Association and that Elder Willie Stiltner be his alternate met with an objection by Brother Willie Stiltner. Voting of the Delegates showed 43 in favor of the motion and 8 against it.

*(This objection was not made to keep our beloved Elders Jeff May and Willie Stiltner from filling these posts. It was made because some of the Brethren wanted to take a secret vote on who should fill these jobs. Your Clerk felt this explanation must be added for the benefit of those reading these Minutes who were not present.)*

(25) By motion and second it is ordered that the Association request all of our Churches, who can and want to, to send a donation to the Church who will host our next Association, Leannah Church.

(26) By motion and second it is ordered that we, the Sardis Association, tender our humble "thank you" to each and every member of the Mt. Pleasant Church; the Pike County Board of Education; Frank T. Welch, Principal, and faculty members of the Bevins School; Pike County Sheriff Department, Brother Jim Bevins and Keither Blackburn; Call Funeral Home, Justice Funeral Home and Rogers Funeral Home who provided chairs and tents; Westcott Lumber Company; and the great host of others too numerous to list here who prayed so faithfully and worked so hard to make this Association one of the sweetest ever held. Last but not least, we want to express a special "thank you" to the Sisters and Friends who worked so hard in the lunch room and at home to prepare, bring and serve an abundance of delicious foods.

(27) By motion and second the reading of the Minutes was omitted.

(28) On motion by Brother Clifford Maynard and second by Brother Floyd Williamson, it is ordered that the Sardis Association adjourn to the time and place mentioned above.

Elder Wayne Herald, who did an excellent job of Moderating the Association, expressed his belief that God had received and sealed the work of this Association and he humbly gave God the praise for blessing us with such a good Association. The Sardis Association then adjourned by way of prayer.

This work done and signed by the Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ.

Elder Edwin May, Moderator

Elder Wayne Herald, Assistant Moderator

Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Clerk

Brother James M. Ray, Assistant Clerk

**SUNDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 1969**

God continued to bless this old Association on this Sabbath morn and His heaven gave forth warm and sunny skies. Hundreds of Brethren, Sisters, and Friends assembled early and were soon singing the songs of Zion and shaking hands with thankful hearts.

Elder Roy B. Akers, Northern New Salem Association, introduced the services preaching of the love and precious blood of Jesus. Elder Hershell Huff, New Salem Association, led in prayer.

Elder Paris Tackett, Northern New Salem Association, came to the Stand and was greatly blessed to continue preaching of the love of God and the precious blood of Jesus.

Elder Mitchell Chaffins, New Salem Association, came to the Stand and was surely blessed to preach Jesus from his Text, Isaiah 22:23, "And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house."

Elder Wayne Herald, our loving and capable Assistant Moderator, came to the Stand weeping for joy and stated he felt more like crying than preaching. He took for a Text, Psalms 133:1, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" Brother Wayne's cup was filled to overflowing and the spirit that filled his heart was made manifest in his preaching and in his countenance.

Amidst singing and great rejoicing Elder Roy B. Akers was requested to sing, "Walk With Me" and the open door of the Church was announced. Three responded with wonderful testimony and requested baptism, Sister Ilene Cline (daughter of Sister Victoria Cline), Sister Mazie Tackett (mother of Brother Charles Tackett who was baptized on Saturday) and Brother Willie Pinson. While at the water's edge two more responded and requested baptism, Sister Tremmie Pinson (wife of Brother Willie Pinson) and Brother Louie Muney (son-in-law of Elder Jonah E. Williamson). Dismission was called on the banks of the water with much rejoicing.

What a fitting and joyful ending God gave to this Association! He started the Sardis Association on Friday by adding two Churches to our family, then two young Brethren were baptized on Saturday, Brother Larry Hankins (son of Brother Carl Hankins) and Brother Charles Tackett (son of Brother Leo Tackett), and then the five above were added today. Praise His High and Holy Name! Brethren, I do not believe that I have ever been in a sweeter Association! Surely God has blessed this Association and bestowed His love upon us during the past year.

On behalf of the Delegates and Officers of the Sardis Association, I want to thank God for giving us such a loving and sweet Association. While our loving Moderator, Elder Edwin May, could not be with us, I am sure that he has already heard the news of this wonderful Association and is rejoicing with a thankful heart.

May God Bless the Sardis Association with a double portion of His love until we meet again.

Your Clerk

**CIRCULAR LETTER**

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

In answer to your request at our last Association, I will try, by the help of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to fulfill that request and write a Circular Letter for your inspection when you are assembled together with the Mt. Pleasant Church, Friday before the second Saturday in September 1969. I am trusting that I will humble myself in a way that would be pleasing to our God of all Glory and that He would enable me to write a letter that would be pleasing to Him, one that would meet with your approval, one that would be upbuilding to His Church, and one that may be of some value to a poor sinner if he should ever read it or hear it read.

My subject will be found in the following two verses of Scripture. (Romans 5:12), "Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." (I Corinthians 15:22), "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

What then is the world? The ground we stand upon? No, that is the Earth, God's footstool. The Sea upon which man sails? No. The atmosphere, space or even outer space where man is now attempting to explore and conquer? Again, I say no. The world is the state or condition that I came into when I was a very young boy. When I knew to do good and did it not, to me it was sin. Yes, at the very moment I knew to do good and didn't do it, I entered into the world. The world is the habitat of men and women living in their sins, and being aliens from God.

(Romans 7:9), "For I was alive without the law once but when the Commandment came, sin revived, and I died." Sin is not imputed where there is no law. From the moment of my birth upon the face of this earth until my entrance into the world, I was as good as God wanted me to be. I was under the Ark of Safety. If natural death had overtaken me during this period of time Heaven would have been my Eternal Home, because I would have been saved by grace and grace alone.

When I entered into the world, my soul was dead in trespasses and sins, not the sin that Adam committed, but the sins that I committed. I lived in the world and served sin for several years of my life, because it was my choice, my own free choice.

Does man have to live in the world, in sin, die and go down to Hell or the Lake that is prepared for the Devil and his Angels? No. Man must die, because that is an appointment of God, but it is Man's own free choice as to where he will dwell in Eternity. Eternity is never spent. (St. John 3:16 and 17), "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son,



that whosoever *believeth* in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the *world* to condemn the *world*, but that the *world* through him might be saved."

What must man do to be saved? (Hebrews 11:6), "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must *believe* that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (Mark 16:16), "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." This is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The baptism we must receive before we go down to the creek or river to be baptized at the hands of our beloved Elder Brethren.

What does it mean to repent, or what is repentance? Repentance is the turning away from sin, from your own steadfastness and self-righteousness, to have a deep feeling of sorrow or regret for the things you have done in the past that were not pleasing in the sight of God. Repentance is a godly sorrow set up in the heart that worketh repentance unto salvation that needeth not to be repented of. From the depths of man's heart he must be sorry for all the trespasses and sins that he has committed against God, pray and beg God for his tender *mercy*. When man has suffered enough to satisfy God, God will take over and do for man that which man cannot do for himself. (St. John 3:5), "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God." It is the soul or spirit that is regenerated or born again, not of a corruptible seed, but by an incorruptible seed, by the word of God, that liveth and abideth forever.

When the soul is regenerated or born again man's name is recorded in the Lamb's Book of Life. He is a fit subject at this time (and not before) to present himself to the Church and tell or show the Brethren what good things God has done for him. (St. John 14:23), "If a man love me he will keep my words; and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him." Oh, how wonderful to dwell with God and Jesus Christ! A man that has met God in a pardon and remission of his sins has received salvation here on earth and has a sure promise of a Home in Heaven when this life is past. (Rev. 22:14), "Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter through the gates into the City." This is the holy city, new Jerusalem. The city that is large enough to hold the entire human race (if they would repent) yet small enough to hold the redeemed of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

How many men have a right for the tree of life? (Isaiah 45:22), "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else." (Titus 2:11), "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men." No man can truthfully say that God has not appeared to him. There is a low still voice that talks to man, the

angel flying in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach to all men everywhere. There is the true Light that will lead man to Life. I firmly believe that man has the choice as to where his eternal home will be. If he is obedient unto sin and death, Hell and the Lake will be his home. Man cannot work out his eternal salvation, but he can and must work himself completely out of works. (Ephesians 2:8), "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God."

Dear Brethren, the field is the world. The field is white, ready for harvest. Let us be about our Father's business. May we let our Love, the Love we were born of, flow from one to the other. This, I feel, would please God, would cause sinner men and women to fill the church houses to overflowing, and would cause you and I to prosper.

I feel that when Jesus Christ comes again on the Clouds of Glory that I will meet with all the blood-washed band of King Immanuel. My prayer is this: May God Bless and keep each of us.

Humbly yours,  
James M. Ray



## UNION AND COMMUNION MEETINGS AND MINISTERS TO ATTEND

### APRIL

**SOUTHERN HOME:** Friday before the first Saturday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: S. D. Hensley, Wayne Herald, Willie Varney and Roy B. Akers.

**OKEECHOBBEE:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

### MAY

**SALEM:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Charlie Johnson and Mitchell Chaffins.

**TURKEY CREEK:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Andrew Maynard, Grover Adkins, Harold Edmonds and Moderator attending.

### JUNE

**APPLE ORCHARD:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 1:00 p.m. Ministers called: H. Jimmy Deeley, Andrew Maynard and Wayne Herald.

**ENON:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Grover Adkins, Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May and Hershell Huff.

**LITTLE ROSA:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Jeff May, S. D. Hensley and Willie Varney.

**MUNCY VALLEY:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Jeff May, S. D. Hensley and Willie Varney.

**PILGRIMS REST:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion on Sunday. Ministers called: Edwin May, Mills Roberts, Monroe Jones and Perry Jones.

**BUCK CREEK:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Edwin May, Roy B. Akers, Luther Conn, Hiram Adkins, Hershell Huff and Moderator attending.

**LITTLE VIRGIE:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Lloyd SESCO, Steve Robinson, Jr., Grover Adkins and Edwin May.

**SIDNEY:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Edward Runyon, John Lowe and Eales Cotton.

### JULY

**DIX FORK:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: N. A. England, Hershell Huff, Steve Robinson, Jr. and Ross Cline.

**SAMARIA:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Edward Runyon, John Lowe and Ellis Davis.

**LEANNAH:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May, Willie White, Wayne Herald with Moderator and Assistant Moderator attending.

**MT. PLEASANT:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Clifford Colley and Mitchell Chaffins.

**BIG BRANCH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 1:00 p.m. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Henry King and Moderator attending.

**MARY ELIZABETH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Maynard Hay, Ross Cline, H. C. Maynard, Robert Robinson and Moderator attending.

**ROSA:** Third Saturday and Sunday. This is our Union Meeting and our Communion is in August. Ministers called: Hassel Estep, Eales Cotton, Benny Stone and Carl Ray Tuttle.

**NARROWS BRANCH:** Friday before the fourth Saturday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Claude Conn, Tracy Hatfield, Willis Lowe, Charlie Johnson, Hershell Huff and Chester Belcher.

### AUGUST

**TIBITHA:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Johnnie Cline, Ross Cline, Claude Conn and Edward Runyon.

**REBECCA:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Johnnie Cline, Eales Cotton, Isom Hannah, Willie White, B. H. Bevins, John Lowe and Moderator attending.

**ELK FORK:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Willie Varney, Steve Robinson, Jr., Isom Hannah, Robert Robinson, Burbage Mullins and John Lowe.

**BENT BRANCH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Hershell Huff, Grover Adkins and Steve Robinson, Jr.

**ROSA:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday evening. Our Union Meeting is in July. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

**BETHANY:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Eales Cotton, Johnnie Cline, Edward Runyon, George Woods and Andrew Maynard.

**SARDIS:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: J. G. Thornberry, Jeff May, George Woods and Isom Hannah.

**PILGRIM'S HOME:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday evening. Ministers called: Kirby Ison, Roy B. Akers, Ernest Cochran and Moderator attending.

## MEMORIAL MEETINGS AND MINISTERS TO ATTEND

### MAY

**TIBITHA CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the first Sunday in May 1970 for all the Brethren and Sisters of the Tibitha Church that have departed this life and gone on. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, John Lowe and Burbage Mullins.

**LEANNAN CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased on the Muncey Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in May 1970. Ministers called: Willie White, Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May, Wayne Herald, John Lowe and our Moderator attending.

**BIG BRANCH CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the Ratliff Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in May 1970. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols and Ernest Cochran.

**ELK FORK CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in May 1970. Ministers called: Willie Varney, Isom Hannah, John Lowe, Mont Ellis and Willis Lowe.

**LITTLE VIRGIE CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1970. Ministers called: J. G. Thornberry, Chester Belcher, John Lowe and Lloyd Seseo.

**NARROWS BRANCH CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1970. Ministers called: Wiley Coffee, Wayne Herald, Edwin May, Tracy Hatfield, H. Jimmy Deeley and Willis Lowe.

**MEMORIAL MEETING** will be held at the home of Brother Jobe Blackburn on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in May 1970. Ministers called: Tracy Hatfield, Milford Lowe, Steve Robinson, Jr., Edwin May and Ben Robinson.

**MEMORIAL MEETING** will be held the last Sunday in May 1970 on Chauncy Cemetery for the deceased members of Tibitha Church, Gillman family and Meadows family. Ministers called: Willie Varney, Carlos Meadows, Edward Runyon and Burbage Mullins. There will be dinner on the ground.

**SARDIS CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the Pigeon Roost Cemetery on May 30, 1970 at 2:30 p.m. Ministers called: Burbage Mullins, Willie Varney and H. Jimmy Deeley.

**MEMORIAL MEETING** will be held on the Stanley Cemetery at Dix Fork on the nearest Sunday to May 30, 1970. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

### JUNE

**SOUTHERN HOME CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in June 1970. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

**LEANNAN CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting for Sisters Esta M. Reed, Matilda M. Robinson and others on Sunday after the second Saturday in June 1970. Ministers called: Tracy Hatfield, Isom Hannah and Steve Robinson, Jr.

**BENT BRANCH CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in June 1970. Ministers called: Edwin May, John M. Justice, Charlie Johnson and Hiram Adkins.

**BETHANY CHURCH** will hold a memorial meeting at Brother Ransom Chaffins on the third Saturday night and Sunday in June 1970. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Willie White, Willard Blair, Ellis Davis and Willie Varney.

**MEMORIAL MEETING** of Brother James and Sister Betty Gillman and others will be held on the third Saturday and Sunday in June 1970 at the Cemetery where they are buried, just above the Elk Fork Church. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Willie Varney, Eales Cotton and Jeff May.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held in the head of Sycamore Creek on the fourth Sunday in June 1970. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Ernest Cochran, J. L. Nichols, Edwin May and Grover Adkins.

## JULY

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Sunday in July 1970 at the Justice Cemetery, Ragland, West Virginia in memory of Sister Dolly Justice, Brother Clayburn Justice and Sister Rebecca Vinson, their daughter, and others. Ministers called: Ellis Davis, Willie White, Steve Robinson, Jr. and John Lowe.

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting in the head of Long Branch on the Reed Cemetery on the first Sunday in July 1970. Ministers called: Robert Robinson, John Lowe and Willis Lowe. Dinner near by.

LEANNAN CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of all the deceased in the Robinson Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in July 1970. Ministers called: Edwin May, John Lowe, Steve Robinson, Jr. and Robert Robinson.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held for all the deceased on Julius Scott Cemetery at Hardy, Kentucky on Sunday after the third Saturday in July 1970. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Edwin May, Willie Stanley, Wayne Herald and Claude Conn.

MEMORIAL MEETING of J. M. Taylor and family, Flem Maynard and family will be held on the third Sunday in July 1970. Ministers called: George Woods, Eales Cotton, Clyde Brown and Moderator to attend.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Newsome Cemetery, near the home of Brother James White, on the third Sunday in July 1970. Services will be held at the home of Brother William Lackey on Saturday night. Ministers called: Jeff May, Ellis Davis, H. Jimmy Deeley, Edward Runyon and Steve Robinson, Jr.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Adair Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July 1970. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Isom Hannah and John Lowe.

## AUGUST

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Dillon Cemetery, near the Church House, on the first Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: Willie White, Isom Hannah and Ellis Davis.

ENON CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Steve Robinson, Jr. and Tracy Hatfield.

DIX FORK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: John M. Justice, Hassel Estep and Wayne Herald.

APPLE ORCHARD CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on Sunday after the first Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: Edward Runyon, Chester Belcher, Hershell Huff and Tracy Hatfield.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Uncle George Lowe and Aunt Jane Lowe will be held on Pigeon Roost Fork of Wolf Creek on the first Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: Willis Dials, Milford Lowe, Clinton Howard and Tracy Hatfield.

REBECCA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of Elders Hi Maynard, W. C. Hay, M. J. Mounts and others on Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called in Union Meeting will be used.

LEANNAN CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of all deceased buried in the Lowe Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Tracy Hatfield, Willis Dials and Hershell Huff.

LITTLE ROSA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: Lloyd SESCO, Isom Hannah, Steve Robinson, Jr. and Alson Thornbury.

PILGRIM'S REST CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: Chester Belcher, Grover Adkins, Johnnie Nichols, Hershell Huff, Lloyd SESCO and Roosevelt Lowe.

MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of Elder J. W. Smith and all other deceased members on Sunday after the third Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: John Lowe, Ernest Cochran, H. C. Maynard, Wayne Herald and Charlie Johnson.

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the Hannah Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: W. H. May, Isom Hannah, Edward Runyon and Jeff May.

MEMORIAL MEETING of McCoy Cemetery will be held on Sunday after the third Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe and Edwin May.

BETHANY CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the same time as the Union Meeting, the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Eales Cotton, Johnnie Cline, Edward Runyon, George Woods and Andrew Maynard.

SIDNEY CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for the deceased members of the Sidney Church on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August 1970. Ministers called: Tracy Hatfield, Milford Lowe, Isom Hannah and Johnnie Cline.

MEMORIAL MEETING of P.F.C. Edward McCoy and others will be held on the Henry Taylor Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in August 1970. Ministers called: John Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Ernest Cochran and Edwin May.

#### SEPTEMBER

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the Lackey Cemetery on the first Sunday in September 1970. Ministers called: Jeff May, Willie Varney and H. Jimmy Deeley.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother Tom McCoy and all the deceased that are buried in the Buck Branch Cemetery, near the mouth of Wolf Creek, will be held the first Sunday in September 1970. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Faye Scott, Willis Lowe, Robert Robinson and Steve Robinson, Jr.

MEMORIAL MEETING on the Joe Taylor Cemetery will be held on Sunday after the first Saturday in September 1970. Ministers called: Edwin May, J. L. Nichols and Ernest Cochran.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder W. H. Bowling, wife and family will be held at the Pilgrim's Rest Church on the first Saturday and Sunday in September 1970. Ministers called: Lloyd SESCO, Ellis Davis, H. C. Maynard, Alison Thornbury and Ireland Harrison.

MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of Elder Wallace Jackson on the third Saturday and Sunday in September 1970. Ministers called: John Lowe, Ernest Cochran, Charlie Johnson and Clinton Howard.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Roscoe McCoy and others will be held at the home of Oscar McCoy on Sunday after the third Saturday in September 1970. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe, Ernest Cochran and Edwin May.

#### OCTOBER

SALEM CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in October 1970 for all of the deceased members of Salem Church. Ministers called: Edwin May, Wayne Herald and B. H. Bevins.

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the second Saturday and Sunday in October 1970. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Johnnie Cline, Ross Cline and our Moderator attending.

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased members of Mt. Pleasant Church on the second Saturday and Sunday in October 1970. Ministers called: Roy B. Akers, Ray Tuttle and Hershell Huff.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of all deceased buried in the Scott Cemetery in the head of Finley Fork on Sunday after the second Saturday in October 1970. Ministers called: Edwin May, Milford Lowe, Clinton Howard and Steve Robinson, Jr.

ROSA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of all deceased members of the Rosa Church the third Saturday and Sunday in October 1970. Ministers called: Troy Nichols, Hassel Estep and Wayne Herald.

BUCK CREEK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the Church House for their deceased members and also for the deceased buried in the Maynard graveyard at Warfield on the third Sunday in October 1970. Ministers called: Tracy Hatfield, John Lowe, Russell Jacobs, Harold Edmonds, Wayne Herald and Isom Hannah. There will be dinner on the ground.

PILGRIM'S HOME CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in October 1970. Ministers called: Delbert Sanders, Steve Robinson, Jr., Grover Adkins and Moderator attending.



## Obituaries

### ELDER JONAH ESTER WILLIAMSON



It is with much sadness and a heavy heart that I make this attempt to write the obituary of Elder Jonah Ester Williamson. I trust God that he will enable me to write this obituary with the same Spirit that guided Brother Jonah throughout his Christian life. Brother Jonah was a retired employee of the Norfolk and Western Railway Co. He was a very capable, active, and energetic Minister of God up unto the very moment the Death Angel appeared to take his Soul away.

Brother Jonah Ester Williamson was the son of Caudill Williamson and Vicie Jane (Francis) Williamson. He was born May 30, 1922, at Piso, Kentucky and departed this life May 25, 1969, making his stay here on earth 46 years, 11 months and 25 days.

Brother Jonah Ester Williamson was united in marriage to Sister Stella (Ray) Williamson on February 25, 1939. To this union ten (10) children were born. His oldest child, Fayetta (Williamson) Muncey, preceded him in death.

Brother Jonah leaves four sons, five daughters, seven grandchildren, a blind Father, three brothers, two sisters, a great number of nieces, nephews, and other relatives, the entire membership of the Pilgrim's Home Church, an innumerable number of Brothers and Sisters in Christ, and a host of friends throughout this goodly land to mourn his passing. Surviving children are as follows: Bobby Lee Williamson of Pikeville, Kentucky; Billy Joe Williamson and Archie Daniel Williamson of Pontiac, Michigan; Johnny Ester Williamson at home; Sharlene Elkins of Varney, Kentucky; Anna Sue Robinette of Pontiac, Michigan; Stella Beatrice Williamson and Sheila Kaye Williamson at home; Elouise Smith of Warren, Michigan. Other survivors include his father, Caudill Williamson. The following brothers: Marshall Williamson, George Williamson, and K. H. (Hi) Williamson of Varney, Kentucky; two sisters: Cordelia Stanley of Pontiac, Michigan and Vada Muncey of Varney, Kentucky. He was preceded in death by his mother, Vicie Jane (Francis) Williamson and a brother, John B. Williamson.

Brother Jonah professed a hope in Christ and was baptized into the fellowship of the Pilgrim's Home Church on September 25, 1949. Brother

Jonah came up out of the water preaching Jesus Christ to be the way from earth to Glory. Brother Jonah was ordained to the ministry the fourth Saturday in July 1951. He served the Pilgrim's Home Church as Assistant Moderator throughout most of his period of Ministry. He also served several other Sister Churches as their Moderator. He was faithful to the several churches, faithful to the families that called upon him in time of need and most of all he was faithful to Christ, the one that shed His blood for you and me. Yes, in body Brother Jonah was afflicted more than perhaps you and I realized, but the Love he was born of, the Love he did so abundantly possess prompted him to serve us so well. His voice that we loved so well to hear will ring out loud and clear in our minds for many a year.

Sister Stella, one that dearly loved you is gone from you now. His soul is rejoicing somewhere in God's great throne. His body is now resting with no pains in the chest and is now mouldering back to dust. Some sweet day that same soul will return to Brother Jonah's body and he will be caught up to meet sweet Jesus in the Clouds of Glory where no more pain, sorrow, or parting will be. Yes, I feel that God opened the portals of Glory and let Brother Jonah view the beauties of Heaven during the preaching of his last sermon. He died shouting praises to God and will be with God in Eternity.

Children, if you want to see Daddy again you can, by the Grace of God. As your Daddy would tell you, "Come, taste of the Lord." He is good! Yes, you must accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior just as Daddy did. Daddy is asleep in Christ Jesus.

Written by a nephew and Brother in  
Hope of Eternal Life,  
James M. Ray

### FAYETTA MUNCEY

It is with much sadness that I attempt to write the obituary of my loving daughter, Fayetta (Williamson) Muncey.

She was born to Jonah and Stella (Ray) Williamson, February 17, 1940. Deceased this life Wednesday, May 14, 1969, at 11:00 p.m., making her stay here on earth 29 years, 3 months and 27 days.

She was united in marriage to Louie Muncey, November 6, 1959. To this union was born five children: Edith Ann, Lesia Kaye, Lewis Craig, and Sharon (who preceded her mother in death in the



year of 1960), and the one who is on her arm today, was to be named Steven Kelly.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband and three children; Father and Mother, and the following brothers and sisters: Bobby Lee Williamson, of Pikeville, Ky.; Billy Joe and Archie Daniel Williamson, of Pontiac, Michigan; Johnny E. Williamson at home; Sharlene Elkins of Varney, Ky.; Anna Sue Robinette, Pontiac, Michigan; Elouise Smith of Warren, Michigan; and Stella Beatrice and Shelia Kaye Williamson at home, and a large host of friends and relatives.

She was a devoted wife and a loving mother. She could never do enough for them, she always wanted them by her side.

There are so many good things through her life to tell us that she loved us. She didn't speak so much in words, but she spoke in action. As she grew up in this world she was no trouble to us.

I can't recall the time when she talked back to her Mommy and Daddy. Since she has married she hasn't cared about going on long vacations, all the vacation she wanted was to come home and be with her family. Those that were gone, she always asked how they were getting along. I hope and trust that God has called her to a better home, where the sun will always be shining and the flowers will always be blooming.

I want to say to Louie and to all the Brothers and Sisters that life is so short, but eternity has no end. Prepare to meet in that beautiful home, that Jesus has gone to prepare, where death can come no more. May we never forget Louie and these children, whom she loved so dear, let us care for them as she would have us to.

I must close by saying I don't believe it is good-bye, Fay. It's just farewell until we meet again. I have enjoyed your company this short time in this world. We will now part for a while and I do believe we will meet forever some sweet day.

(I feel I have to say these few words before Daddy closes this obituary. I have asked myself, "Why? O God, Why?" It must be like Daddy said, "God took her because she was good and because he loved her." I know in my heart Fay is one of God's Angels. Bye Sister, I pray we will meet again. Sharlene.)

May God Bless and Save you all.

Written by her loving father,  
Elder Jonah E. Williamson

#### LUNA BEVINS MORRISON

With the help of God I will try to write the obituary of my wife, Luna Bevins Morrison. She was born January 28, 1909, a daughter of the late Matt and Cora Murphy Bevins, and died March 19, 1969 at the age of 60.

She was married to Thomas Morrison in 1927 and to this union was born four children: Edward, who preceded her in death, and Willard of Zebulon, Ky.; Clayton of Pikeville, Ky.; and Mrs. Dorothy Burnette of Route 1, Pikeville, Ky.

Luna joined the Regular Baptist Church and was baptized at the hands of Elder Jonah Bevins and Elder Ester Hopkins on September 16, 1934. She was a faithful member and always filled her seat until sickness prevented her from going. She was sick several years but bore her sickness with great patience, always trusting in the Lord.

My home is so lonesome without her but I believe my loss is Heaven's gain. I am living in hope of meeting her again in Heaven where there will be no more parting and all will be peace, joy and happiness forever.

Written by her husband,  
Thomas Morrison

#### GOLDIE JUSTICE

With the help of God, I will try to write the obituary of our sweet Mother, Goldie Justice. She was born May 23, 1908 and deceased this life April 7, 1969.

She was the daughter of Landon and Laura (Presley) Holbrook, who preceded her in death, and she was the wife of Smith Justice. She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church for thirty-three years and was baptized by Elder Asa Evans. She was the mother of four children but one preceded her in death. Left to mourn her loss are three children: Ollie Runyon of Ragland, W.Va.; Delorse Hall of Omar, W.Va.; Joyce Chapman of Varney, W.Va.; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; five sisters; and three brothers.

Mother was always faithful to her Church and always talked to her children and grandchildren about Jesus. When she was so sick in the hospital, she told us she was ready to go. I really believe that our loss was Heaven's gain because our dear Mother lived a good life in front of us. I hope and pray my sisters will get ready to meet Mom some day where there will be no more sickness and no more pain. I would like to say to the grandchildren, Grandmother loved you all and would love to see you and be with you again. For those who do not know Jesus, REPENT, so you can be with her and enjoy everlasting life.

Written by her daughter,  
Ollie Runyon

## ARIZONIA CLINE

Sister Arizona Cline was the daughter of Mose and Sarah Smith Cline and was born on July 1, 1898 at Baisden, W.Va.

She was married to Ward Cline, who survives, and was the mother of nine children. Six children, Acie, Lacy, Lennis, Julia, Keisler and Odel, preceded her in death. Surviving are Bush, Lesslie and Hassie all of Baisden, W.Va. Sister Cline had six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Sister Cline was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church, being baptized October 21, 1950. She was made to greatly rejoice in the spirit and lived a faithful life. She loved to help feed and take care of all her visiting Brothers and Sisters. Her welcome was to both saint and sinner.

She leaves behind an everlasting flame to all that knew her. I believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by,  
Elder Ross Cline



## ELDER JOHN H. HENSLEY

John Henry Hensley was born on January 15, 1895 at Delbarton, W.Va., the son of Alex Hensley and Mary Stanton Hensley.

He became interested at a young age in the cause of God and I never saw my father drunk nor ever heard him utter an obscene word but rather suffered reproach contending for the faith. An Elder has critics as well as respect. The Elder's Papa worked with know the outstanding feature of his sermons. Love was a word or Text he often used. If Tibitha Church met in peace my father was content; if in confusion, he would be sorely upset. He was committed to the up-building of the old Church, working toward love. God is love. His was a life of



quality and could be a guideline for his children, the ones he loved so dearly, also his grandchildren and his friends. As with the old servant, my Master did not leave me destitute. I being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my Master's friends and to His children. Get in the way and the Lord will lead you to those who were my father's friends and who will be your friends.

Papa was married in 1918 to Melinda Evans, daughter of the late Henry Evans. They were married in the town of Myrtle, W.Va. and to this union was born twelve children. Six of these children Papa has met, as they died while infants, and six are yet living: Rush, Richard, Lucy, Bill, Charley and Nona. He also left a lonesome wife and a lonesome old brother, a man I love deeply, Uncle Avery, who lives in Delaware.

This was the wife's husband, the children's father, the Church's Elder and the brother's brother. The chapter is concluded and the book has been closed. I hope the family circle will not be broken. When the good Lord sees fit to call we can rejoice together in the pure love of God.

Rush, his son

## JOHN PAULEY

Brother John Pauley, the son of the late Shadle Pauley and Milinda (Morris) Pauley, was born March 9, 1870 and deceased this life November 26, 1968 making his stay here 98 years, 8 months and 17 days.

Brother John and his wife, Sister Pricy Jane (Collins) Pauley, became members of the Mt. Pleasant Church of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ, being baptized on May 15, 1949 at the hands of Elder Jonah Bevins and Elder Harold Edmonds. Sister Pricy Jane preceded Brother John in death, as did his father and mother.

Survivors include one son, Oscar Pauley of Sidney, Ky.; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren besides a great host of relatives and friends who are left to mourn his loss. But we hope that our loss is his eternal gain. We hear the Scriptures saying, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."





To Oscar, Lola, the grandchildren, the great-grandchildren, the relatives and friends, may we say, "Weep not for Brother John and Sister Pricy Jane, for their souls have returned to God who gave them. Their bodies are only waiting for the resurrection to come forth out of their graves and be fashioned like unto His most glorious body, and soul and body will live in Heaven with God and Christ forever where no sorrow can ever come, but all will be peace, joy and happiness forever."

May God richly bless all of us in my prayer in Jesus' holy name.

Written as requested by the family,  
Elder Harold Edmonds

#### FLORA AND FREDDY SMITH



It is with a sad heart that I will try to write the obituary of my Mother and Father, Flora and Freddy Smith.

Mother was born April 22, 1895 in Pike County, Ky., the daughter of the late Robert and Emily (Elswick) Caines. She departed this life November 17, 1968 making her stay on earth 73 years, 6 months and 26 days. She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church. She also leaves one half-brother, Clell Caines; two half-sisters, Mrs. June Ratliff and Mrs. Lizzie Maynard, all of Piso, Ky.

Dad was born March 18, 1887 in Pike County, Ky. and deceased this life on April 4, 1967 making his stay on earth 80 years and 17 days. He was the son of Leander and Thersia (Pinson) Smith. He joined the Regular Baptist Church in 1924 and was a faithful member until he was called away. He also leaves a brother, Henry Smith of Meta, Ky. and a sister, Mrs. Dolly Hinkle of Hardy, Ky.

Mother and Dad were united in marriage on May 26, 1911 and to this

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union was born six children. Two sons, Robert, an infant, and Levi, fatally wounded in the U.S. Army, preceded them in death. Those surviving are: Clyde Smith, Mrs. Viola Birchfield, and Sterling Smith, all of Route 1, Pikeville, Ky.; and Clell Smith of Oil Springs, Ky. Also living are 18 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. Sadly missed by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Written by their daughter and granddaughter,  
Viola and Florene Birchfield

#### ELDER KEN VARNEY



It is with sadness and a lonely heart that I will try to write an obituary of my dear Dada, Ken Varney. Dada was born at Road Fork, Ky. on May 2, 1892 and deceased this life on June 2, 1969, making 77 years and one month that the Lord blessed him to live on earth.

He was married to Lillie (Williamson) Varney and to this union was born six children, four sons and two daughters: William, Avery, Floyd and Lonnie Varney of Turkey Creek, Ky.; Mrs. Mary H. Gillman of Worthington, Ohio; and Mrs. Hazel Phillips of Turkey Creek, Ky. He also leaves 14 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn his death.

Dada joined the Regular Baptist Church at Turkey Creek while he was a young man. He spent forty years of his life preaching the Gospel of God and being a faithful servant to the One he loved the most. His place will be empty in all the Churches he loved to visit; his good advice and smile will be missed by all who knew him.

We have lost a wonderful Dada and we have lost a good friend. I would like to say to the rest of the children, if you ever want to see him again you will have to repent and give your heart to the blessed Lord he served, for I feel he is just waiting in the arms of Jesus for us to meet him in that wonderful promised land where there will never be any parting and tears will never come.

Written by a daughter in hope of eternal life.  
Mrs. Hazel Phillips

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## VICTOR ROSS



It has become my sad duty to write the obituary of my dear husband, Victor Ross. He was born October 15, 1915 and passed away April 20, 1969. He was the son of the late Hugh Ross and Dixie Williamson Ross. He was married to Pearl Taylor and to this union two children were born, Janet Gay Bowling of Chatteroy, W.Va. and Joseph (Leroy) of Pt. Clinton, Ohio. Victor was baptized May 12, 1968 by the hands of Elders Ellis Davis and Roosevelt Lowe and placed his membership at the Turkey Creek Church.

Victor's spirit went back to God who gave it and he was laid to rest in that lonesome hill above his home. I'm so lonesome since his going but, God being my helper, I'll make it somehow. Victor was sick for a long time but bore it all with patience. He didn't worry about dying because he had suffered so much. He wasn't blessed to be in a communion but at the hospital he seemed to be enjoying a foot-washing meeting and from his talk he washed Brother Willis Lowe's feet. He told me they had such a good meeting. Victor was a good man, he worked hard and was good, kind and honest. He loved everybody, was good to anyone who came to his home and made them feel welcome. He was so good to his mother-in-law who lay sick for ten years.

The children and I loved Victor but God loved him more and when he had suffered enough He took that tired spirit home to rest until that glorious day when Jesus comes after His children. In that day his spirit will come back, reunite with that body and will be fashioned like Jesus' most glorious body, then he will have both soul and body. Don't put it off too late, Leroy! If you have never prayed, today is a good time to start. Then when Jesus comes back after His children we, and Janet, can meet Daddy again to part no more. I'll not cry anymore because God will wipe all tears from my eyes. We won't suffer anymore. We will see all God's little children and be with them but the good part is, we will see Jesus who was nailed to that cross, bled, groaned and died for us that we might live again when this life is past. There won't be any sickness, pain or death. All will be peace, joy and happiness forever.

So sleep on, Victor, take your rest and we will meet again on that golden shore some sweet day. You won't have any difficulty breathing and that dreadful heart condition won't be known. We will be well, sit down at

Jesus' feet and hear His voice. It's not a dream, neither is it idle talk, but a sure promise we have from Him. We will see Him and hear His voice welcoming in the blessed to the kingdom prepared for them by His father. All of the saints of the most high God will be there.

Written by his wife,  
Mrs. Pearl Ross and daughter

## WILLIAM H. REED

By the help of the Lord and with a lonesome heart, I will try to write the obituary of my Daddy, William Homer Reed. He was born on March 4, 1913 in Pike County, Ky., the son of the late Ken and Elzize Reed, and deceased this life at the age of 56.

Daddy married Dixie (Lockard) Reed on March 4, 1931 and to this union was born ten children: Alfred, Darrell, Ruth, Hester, Ralph, Frances, Maxie, Sue, Carl and James. To these children were born 23 children. He had ten brothers and sisters and his oldest brother, Sidney, preceded him in death. The others are: Toy, George, Leroy, Solie, Ortha, Rebecca, Frances, Mary and Goldie.

The day Daddy was killed he told his brother, if he could find any excuses he was going home today. By the tender, loving mercy of our Father, Heaven will be his home. So brothers and sisters, fall out with sin and join heirs with Jesus Christ and make Heaven your home where there will be no parting and no sorrow.

Written by his daughter,  
Frances Berkley

## ESTIE RAY

It is by request that I will try to write the obituary of Sister Estie Ray. She was born on November 29, 1885 and died January 15, 1969, making her stay here on earth 84 years. She was the daughter of Pat and Ruthie SESCO and was married to Marian Ray, who preceded her in death. To this union was born six children, four of whom preceded her in death. Surviving children are Velva Gibson and Calvin Ray. She also leaves to mourn her loss three brothers and six sisters.

Sister Ray was a member of the Pilgrim's Home Church at Varney, Ky. but she never got to attend church very much because of her health. Aunt Estie was blind for a number of years and could not see the beautiful things here but we know that she can see the beautiful city of God.

Written by her nephew,  
Elder Lloyd SESCO

#### LACY B. HOWARD

It is with much weakness that I try to write the obituary of Brother Lacy B. Howard. He was born June 15, 1937 at Threeforks, Ky., the son of Brother John L. Howard and Sister Birta Howell Howard. He was married to Clier Maynard who survives. Brother Lacy also leaves two children to mourn the loss of a loving father, Delbert Howard and Lacy Howard, Jr., both of Pilgrim, Ky.

Brother Lacy became a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church the second Saturday in July 1963, being baptized by Elder Clinton Howard and Elder Milford Lowe. The Church has lost a good Brother and his wife and children have lost a good husband and father but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain. We hope that in the last day when God Almighty calls that we can meet Brother Lacy where we won't have to say farewell no more but all will be peace and love forever more.

So Brother, sleep on a little while longer and by the help of God I will meet you. His chair in his home is empty and can never be filled. So farewell.

May God bless you all is my prayer.

Written by a Brother in hope of Eternal Life,  
Elder Clinton Howard

#### MINNIE BELLE HOPKINS



Sitting here alone I have been thinking over the wonderful years I shared with my family, thanking God for giving me such wonderful, loving and Christian parents. I will try to write the obituary of my loving Mother, Minnie Belle Harris Hopkins. No one knows how a person feels when they have lost their family so quickly!

Mommie was born March 21, 1895 at Goody, Ky. and was a life time resident. She was the daughter of the late J. B. Harris and Nancy Jane Lowe Harris. She passed away October 16, 1968 making her stay

here on earth 73 years, 6 months and 25 days. She was united in marriage to Elder Ester Hopkins, a Minister of the Regular Baptist for 54 years and Moderator of the Sardis Association for many years, on July 30, 1912. To this union was born six children: Edward, Kenneth, Ester, Jr., Thomas, Susie Jane Runyon and Etta Ruth. Daddy and three children, Etta Ruth (age 2 1/2), Thomas (age 25) and Ester, Jr. (age 49), preceded her in

death. Edward, her oldest son, died just six days after her death, October 22, 1968. Only God knows why He has taken him so soon after her death. She was the last living member of her family and had six sisters and one brother.

Mommie joined the Salem Regular Baptist Church on the first Sunday in November 1915, was baptized at the same time her Mother was baptized, and was truly a faithful member until her death.

God was good to Mommie and she had a wonderful life. She was never in the hospital, except for eye surgery, until she had the heart attack and then she never got to come back home. Both Mommie and Poppie were able to visit Jerusalem before their death and for this I am most thankful. I know that she is happy with Poppie around the throne of Jesus. I know too, if Edward and Ester, Jr. said the right prayer before their death, they are all together with Thomas, who confessed Christ, and Etta Ruth, who died in infancy.

We who remain can meet them one day, if we live the way Christ tells us to live, not just one day a week but seven days a week. With God's divine grace, I hope to be with them at God's appointed time to take His children home. Then I know we will be happy forever.

Written by her loving daughter and a Sister in the Church,  
Susie Jane Runyon

#### KENIS ROBINSON



It is with a sad and broken heart that I will try to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Kenis Robinson. He was born May 26, 1896 to the late James and Matilda Stanley Robinson. He departed this life April 16, 1968 making his stay on earth 71 years, 11 months and 20 days.

He was married to Meda Maynard and to this union was born six children: a son, George Cleston, preceded him in death; Chester James Robinson and John C. Robinson of McCombs, Ky.; Moses K. Robinson, Hatfield, Ky.; Mrs. Tom

Canada, Jr. of Elkhorn City, Ky.; and Mrs. Johnny Maynard of McCombs, Ky.

He also leaves to mourn his loss, two brothers: Johnny Robinson of Ypsilanti, Michigan and Cleston Robinson of McCombs, Ky.; three sisters: Mrs. Gertrude Newome of Turkey Creek, Ky.; Mrs. Sarah Ann Maynard

of Piso, Ky.; and Mrs. Bessie Lowe of Williamson, W.Va.; 17 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

He was a member in the Apple Orchard Church and there he remained faithful until God called him away.

To our children, if you ever expect to see Daddy again you must repent and live for Jesus Christ, our Saviour, as Daddy did. You have lost a good father and I have lost a loving husband but I feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by his wife who loved him so much,  
Meda Robinson



#### ELSA (STOLLINGS) SMITH

With much sadness I try to write the obituary of our loving mother, Sister Elza (Stollings) Smith. Sister Smith was born March 20, 1894 at Hardy, Ky. and died January 30, 1968, making her stay here on earth 74 years. He was the only daughter of Sanders and Polly (Scott) Stollings. She was married to Elder Lewis Smith, who preceded her in death in 1960, and to this union was born 9 children, 5 boys and 4 girls. One son, Carlson Smith, also preceded her in death in 1959.

Sister Smith was baptized into the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1918 and was a faithful member as long as she was able to go.

We miss Mother very much but know that she is resting where there is no more pain or heartaches. Bereaved by the loss of Sister Smith are four sons: Everett Smith of Columbus, Ohio; Harold B. Smith of Richmond, Va.; Thomas Smith of the State of Washington; and James H. Smith of Washington, D.C.; four daughters: Mrs. Clisita Huffman of Hamblin, W.Va.; Mrs. Mae Tingle of Georgetown, Del.; Della Grace Smith of Hights Ville, Md.; and Mrs. Emma Lee Dix of Detroit, Mich.; two brothers: Miluin Stollings and Mont Stollings both of Hardy, Ky.; 22 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and a host of friends and relatives.

Written by a daughter,  
Mrs. Emma Lee Dix

#### WARREN G. HARRISON

By request of his daughter, I will try to write the obituary of my uncle, whom I loved dearly, Warren G. Harrison. He was born February 7, 1921 and passed away July 31, 1969, making his stay on earth 48 years, 5 months and 24 days. He was the son of William Attison and Montana Smith Harrison, both deceased. He was united in marriage to Mary Maynard, who is also deceased, in June 1945.

He is survived by two daughters, Virginia Carol Harrison and Silvia Maxine McDaniels, and three grandchildren, Tommy, Lynn and Jane Ellen McDaniels. Also surviving are six brothers: E. H. Harrison, Crum, W.Va.; Donnie and Edward Harrison, Turkey Creek, Ky.; Jerry Harrison, North Matewan, W.Va.; Homer Harrison, Huddy, Ky.; and Elder Ireland Harrison, Chatteroy, W.Va.; and a sister: Mary Nichols. A brother, John Harrison, and a sister, Mrs. Virgie Jude, preceded him in death.

He made his confession of Christ to Elder Ireland Harrison and desired to be baptized and become a member of the Old Regular Baptist family. God called him out of this world of pain, sorrow and sin before he could be baptized but I believe he is at rest with Jesus. The water is only the answering of a good conscience toward God. The blood of Jesus Christ is what it takes to wash away our sins. He said before he left this world that all his sins had been forgiven and he thanked the Lord for making the journey with him. I believe we will see him on that great day when Jesus comes to take His children home.

Sadly written by a niece who loved him,  
Opal Tackett



#### ELIZABETH WHITE NELSON

It is with much sadness I will try to write the obituary of Sister Elizabeth White Nelson. She was born June 24, 1886 and died January 25, 1969, making her stay on earth 82 years, 7 months and 1 day.

Sister Elizabeth was married to Jay Nelson and to this union was born eleven children. Her husband and five children preceded her in death. Children living are: Iva McCoy, Ocala, Fla.; Cuba Reed, Hantrmck, Mich.; Jerusha Nelson, Reno, Nev.; James Nelson, Alvin, Mich.; Arnold Nelson, Alvin, Mich.; Pearlne Reed, Copperas Cove, Texas. She had 27 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.

Sister Nelson joined the Regular Baptist Church a few years ago, I do not know just how long ago. She moved away from home at Turkey Creek, Ky. to Michigan after her husband's death and she lost her eye sight and never was able to attend Church very much but we know that a blind person has very little sins.

So I will say to all her children and grandchildren, if you ever want to see your mother again you will have to repent of your sins.

Written by a Sister of the Church,  
Mrs. Dixie Reed and her daughter, Cuba Reed



DOLLY CALLAHAN

In much grief and sorrow I will try to write an obituary of my sweet sister, Dolly Burgett Callahan, of Detroit, Michigan and formerly of Turkey Creek, Ky. She passed away at her home on June 3, 1969 at the age of 51.

She was the daughter of the late Julius and Minnie Nelson Burgett. Survivors include her husband, Truman Callahan; three sons: Watson and Charles of Detroit, Mich.; and Fred of Washington, D.C.; two daughters: Bonnie Gean Ratliff of Williamson, W.Va.; and Miss Darlene Callahan at home; two sisters: Mrs. Polly Thomas and Mrs. Bertha Scott; two brothers: Walter Burgett of Turkey Creek, Ky. and J. C. Burgett of Detroit, Mich.; and nine grandchildren.

She was a good and faithful member of the Old Regular Baptist Church for over thirteen years.

I want to write this to her children, I have heard her say so many times how she prayed for them, you all live the life that Mother lived on this earth and some day you will meet her where there will be no more sorrow, but all happiness.

Written by,  
Mrs. Polly Thomas, her sister

EDNA SCALF



It is with much sadness that I write the obituary of my dear Mother, Edna Scalf, born January 22, 1900.

She was married to Oliver Scalf and to this union was born twelve children, nine of whom are living: Maudie Goff, Raccoon, Ky.; Alice Clark, Turkey Creek, Ky.; Mathew Scalf, Ocala, Fla.; Threecie Woods, Mobile, Ala.; Heenon Scalf, McCombs, Ky.; Norman Scalf, McCombs, Ky.; Cleston Scalf, Turkey Creek, Ky.; Oma Lue Williamson, Forest Hills, Ky.; and Lindel Scalf, at home. Also, Mable Crabtree, deceased, had one child, Anna Lois, who is at home with Lindel. Mother had 33 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. She had three brothers: Eldon (Dock) and Evert, both deceased; and Roland, living. Mother was 69 years old and the only daughter of Heenon Maynard.

She said the Apple Orchard Church felt like home. Moma was good to everybody who met her. I think Moma went to sleep in the hands of Jesus. She was sick most of her life.

I will say to all, if you wish to meet Moma you will have to do right.

Written by her daughter,  
Maudie (Scalf) Goff

PHEBA BOWLING HARRISON



In much weakness and by the help of the Lord, I will try to write the obituary of Sister Pheba Bowling Harrison. She was born June 5, 1889 and departed this life on December 24, 1968 making her stay on earth 79 years, 6 months and 19 days. She was married to Elder Ireland Harrison on November 26, 1925 and to this union no children were born but she and Brother Ireland raised two foster children, Elmer Bowling and the other preceded her in death. Also left to mourn her loss is Sister Cora Bowling Runyons. I believe Sister Pheba lived a



faithful and devoted life in Christ. She confessed a hope in Christ on September 5, 1932 and was baptized at the hands of Elder Andy Case and Elder W. H. Bowling. She always attended Church until sickness became so severe that it made her unable to go. I believe the Little Rosa Church, where she belonged, and many friends, Brothers and Sisters have lost a faithful member. When Jesus calls I believe Sister Pheba will answer, for the Scripture says, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." I am quite sure that if she could speak she would say, as Christ did when marching up Calvary's Hill, "don't weep for me but rather weep for yourself and your children."

Now I want to say to the ones that are left behind, just wait patiently until that Great Resurrection Day when Jesus will come again to take His children home where we will part no more. To the ones that are on the outside of the ark of safety, you will have to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the one that can save and take you home to live forever and to part and die no more. Now Brother Ireland, I know this life is very lonesome but trust in Jesus and walk in the Light as He is in the Light and through His tender mercy you can meet Sister Pheba again, where parting will be no more.

Written by your humble servant,  
Elder Robert L. Robinson

#### DELLA FARLEY RUNYON



A long and fruitful life was ended on January 13, 1969 in the Williamson Memorial Hospital when my grandmother, Mrs. Della Farley Runyon, could no longer fight the illness which had kept her in a coma the preceding week.

Grandmother was born on March 1, 1879 at Hardy, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Thomas Granville and Lucy Rutherford Farley. She was married to John C. Runyon whose life was ended suddenly in a hunting accident on June 19, 1930.

To this union was born four sons: Troy B. Runyon of Toler, Kentucky; Rell Runyon of Beauty, Kentucky; Burl Runyon of Columbus, Ohio; and Thomas B. Runyon of Belfry, Kentucky; and five daughters: Mrs. Ethel Bevins of Huddy, Kentucky; Mrs. Loraine Seco of Meta, Kentucky; and Mrs. Emma May of Stirrat, West Virginia. Two daughters, Mrs. Lucy Bevins and Mrs. Mable Reed, pre-

ceded Grandmother in death. Additional survivors include a brother, Cleveland Farley of New Port Richey, Florida, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Edwards of Belfry, Kentucky, and Mrs. Vicie Picklesimer of Radnor, West Virginia. She also leaves 35 grandchildren, 68 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great grandchildren.

Grandmother was baptized as a member of the Salem Regular Baptist Church on April 19, 1959 by Elders Ed May and Lloyd Seco and was a faithful member until a broken hip prevented her from attending church. Grandmother's faith in God sustained her during this time and her life was a happy one. She always enjoyed her family around her and showed her love for us in many ways.

There is an empty rocking chair in our home that no one will ever be able to fill and it makes us very sad to see it. However, I have a hope that someday we will see Grandmother again and she will no longer need this chair, but will be able to walk on her own power, made new by the resurrecting power of Jesus. I am sure that Grandmother is at rest and will never know pain or trouble again. Those of us who are left here miss her but someday the family can all be reunited where there will be no more death or separation, if we prepare for it. God has defined the plan and Jesus has paved the way for us to follow. It is a beautiful life and Grandmother lived this beautiful life while she was with us.

Written by a granddaughter  
who loved her very much,  
Mary Jane Bevins

#### MARTHA JANE LOWE



It is with love and sadness in my heart that I will try with the help of the Lord to write the obituary of my Sister in Christ, Martha Jane Lowe.

Sister Jane was born March 2, 1926. She was the daughter of Roland and Brookley (Taylor) Maynard, who survives. She deceased this life December 23, 1968 at the age of 42. Two brothers Joseph and Roland, Jr. and a son, Donald Lloyd preceded her in death.

She belonged to the Regular Baptist Church several years. She was married to John Lowe, who survives, on January 3, 1945. To this union were born the following children: Charles Lowe of Michigan; Sherma Jane Spillman of Ocala,

Florida; Mary Agnes Alley, Allen Scottie and Deborah Ann Lowe; all of McCombs, Kentucky; Glenna Rae and Richard Dewey of Lancer, Kentucky. Additional survivors include the following brothers and sisters: Jarrett Maynard of Nebraska; Clifford Maynard of Meta, Kentucky; Hester Robinson of McCombs, Kentucky; Rosa Robinette and Lois Marie Hager of Pontiac, Michigan; Sally Dean Adkins of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Ruth Agnes Reynolds of Lexington, Kentucky; Edith D. Muncey of Varney, Kentucky; Oma Collen Clevinger of McCombs, Kentucky; Eldora Merle Maynard of McCombs, Kentucky.

Sister Jane will be missed by her family, many friends, and the church but I feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

I would like to say to her brothers, sisters, and children who haven't repented. If you expect to see Sister Jane again you will have to repent of your sins.

I would like to say to her children, be good to your daddy and remember the good counsel you have received.

I believe Sister Jane is resting from all her troubles, heartaches, and pains she had in this world.

Written by a Sister in hope of eternal life,  
Mrs. Ruth Lowe

#### WILLIAM CLAYBURN HENSLEY



It is with love in my heart that I will attempt with the help of God to write the obituary of my brother, William Clayburn Hensley.

Clayburn was born January 17, 1925. He was the son of Stanley and Yantus (Justice) Hensley of Lando Mines, West Virginia. He deceased this life May 26, 1969 at the age of 44. His father and two brothers preceded him in death.

He joined the Sardis Regular Baptist Church at Delbarton, West Virginia on January 10, 1954 and was baptized by the hands of Elder Cecil Evans.

He was married to the former Lottie Marie Caudill, who survives. To this union were born eight children: Janet, Bernice, June, Carol, Harold, Willie, Freddy, and Teddy Hensley, all of Rt. 1, Collins, Ohio. Additional survivors include the following brothers and sisters: Ernest, Stanley Hensley, Jr. and Lola Napier of Shelby, Ohio; Ethelene Neal of Oceana, West

Virginia; Clara Mae Sawyers of Ragland, West Virginia; and Ruth Lowe of Lancer, Kentucky.

Clayburn will be missed by the family, his many friends and the church but I feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

I would like to say to my brother and sisters who haven't met God in the pardon and remission of your sins if you expect to meet Clayburn again you will have to repent of your sins for Jesus said you must be born again.

I would like to say to his children. Be good to your mother and help her any way you can and remember the good counsel your daddy has given you. I would like to say to Lottie. Weep not for Clayburn but rather weep for yourself and your children because I believe that he is at rest around the throne of God. Henceforth sayeth the spirit; yea, they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

I believe I will meet Clayburn with the help of the Lord in Heaven some day where all our troubles will be over and we will be together with Jesus forever.

Written by his sister,  
Mrs. Ruth Lowe

## CONSTITUTION OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we the OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, being baptized upon a profession of faith in Christ are convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us and keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

*Article 1.* The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches in our union and sent to represent them in the Association and upon their producing letters from their respective Churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat.

*Article 2.* In the letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.

*Article 3.* The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical power over the Churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any Church in the union.

*Article 4.* The Association, when convened, shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

*Article 5.* The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

*Article 6.* New churches may be admitted into this Union, who shall petition by letter and delegates, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received, and every church in the Union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association.

*Article 7.* Every query presented by the church to the Association, being first debated in their own churches, shall be taken up by the Association.

*Article 8.* Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except when withdrawn by the one who made it.

*Article 9.* The Association shall endeavor to furnish the church with Minutes of the Association.

*Article 10.* We think it necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums as they think proper, and send it by their delegates to the Association, and such sums be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer chosen by the Association, who shall be accountable for the money paid him by the Association, and paid out according to the Association.

*Article 11.* There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association, shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive a compensation for his services.

*Article 12.* The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with.

*Article 13.* Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the Union, if deemed necessary.

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

*Article 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 violates the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; and 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

*Article 1.* We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one, equal in power, essence, and glory.

*Article 2.* We believe the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the written words of God and the only rules of faith and practices.

*Article 3.* We believe in the doctrine of election by grace, for by grace are we saved through faith.

*Article 4.* We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and of man's inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, therefore the Saviour is needed for our redemption.

*Article 5.* We believe that sinners are called to repentance and believe in the Gospel and regeneration of the soul and sealed with Holy Spirit of promise, and none shall fall away and be lost.

*Article 6.* We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of JESUS CHRIST.

*Article 7.* We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's church on earth and the mode of IMMERSION back foremost so as to cover all over.

*Article 8.* We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Saviour and that by the use of bread and the fruit of the vine, and feet washing should be kept up until his second coming by His believers.

*Article 9.* We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

*Article 10.* We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel except such as regularly ordained and baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the Gospel comes under the hands of a regularly chosen presbytery of the church.

*Article 11.* We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute for defraying all reasonable expenses of the church, never forgetting the poor according to their several abilities.

*Article 12.* We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge people in their sins or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation, is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

*Article 13.* We believe that the Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and one another, and have given themselves to the Lord and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the Gospel.

*Article 14.* We believe that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and the government thereof is upon His shoulders.

*Article 15.* None of the above articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation so as to make God partial, directly or indirectly, nor to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these articles be altered without legal notice and free consent.

### RULES OF DECORUM

*Article 1.* The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

*Article 2.* The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

*Article 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.

*Article 4.* The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.

*Article 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.

*Article 6.* No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.

*Article 7.* No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association and only five minutes at a time.

*Article 8.* No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.

*Article 9.* No member of the Association shall address another in any other term of appellation than that of "Brother."

*Article 10.* The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any member from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of the decorum.

*Article 11.* The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.

*Article 12.* The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member provided the chair be filled; and he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.

*Article 13.* Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the decorum shall be removed by the Association as they think proper.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

NAME	ADDRESS
Adair, Tommy	1043 N.E. 28th St., Ocala Fla.
Bevins, B. H.	Rt. 1, Box 7a, Williamson, W. Va.
Blair, Lesly	Hunt, W. Va.
Brown, Claude	Hardy, Ky.
Brown, Clyde	Sidney, Ky.
Carey, Grover	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
Clay, Earl W.	905 S. Park St., Okeechobee, Fla.
Cline, Johnnie	Balsden, W. Va.
Cline, Ross	Balsden, W. Va.
Cochran, Ernest	Sidney, Ky.
Conley, Bill	Omar, W. Va.
Davis, Ellis	Rt. 1, Box 180, Williamson, W. Va.
Dealey, H. Jimmy	Rt. 1, Box 9, Delbarton, W. Va.
Dials, Willis	Pilgrim, Ky.
Edmonds, Harold	Box 31, Sidney, Ky.
Ellis, Mont	Rt. 2, Box 143, Delbarton, W. Va.
Eyans, Charlie	Box 222, Sistrat, W. Va.
Fraleigh, S. B.	Hatfield, Ky.
Gibson, Carlos	Box 201, Scarbro, W. Va.
Glanden, Ted	Balsden, W. Va.
Graham, Hobert	1286 Lower Valley Pike, Medway, Ohio
Hannah, Isom	Cyclone, W. Va.
Harrison, Ireland	Charteroy, W. Va.
Hatfield, Tracy	Hampden, W. Va.
Hay, Maynard	Naugaruck, W. Va.
Hensley, Samuel D.	Pie, W. Va.
Herald, Wayne	Box 586, Kermic, W. Va.
Howard, Clinton	Pilgrim, Ky.
Hughes, Willie	Rt. 2, Box 59, Catlettsburg, Ky.
Johnson, Charlie	Sidney, Ky.



Jude, Harrison ----- Loura, Ky.  
 Jude, Nathan ----- Burnwell, Ky.  
 Lowe, Harvey ----- McCombs, Ky.  
 Lowe, John ----- Gulnare, Ky.  
 Lowe, Milford ----- Pilgrim, Ky.  
 Lowe, Roosevelt ----- Goody, Ky.  
 Lowe, Willis ----- Box 85, Turkey Creek, Ky.  
 Marcum, Lewis ----- Box 2714, Williamson, W. Va.  
 May, Edwin ----- Rt. 4, Box 85, Abingdon, Va.  
 May, Jeff ----- Dingess, W. Va.  
 May, W. H. ----- Dingess, W. Va.  
 Maynard, Andrew ----- Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.  
 Maynard, Henry C. ----- Stone, Ky.  
 Meadows, Carlos ----- Omar, W. Va.  
 Mullins, W. Burbage ----- Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.  
 Nichols, J. L. ----- Box 2, McCombs, Ky.  
 Roberts, Millis ----- Hartley, Ky.  
 Robinson, Robert L. ----- Box 211, Chataroy, W. Va.  
 Robinson, Steve, Jr. ----- Rt. 2, Delbarton, W. Va.  
 Runyon, Edward ----- Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.  
 Scott, Faye ----- Rt. 1, Box 220, Williamson, W. Va.  
 Sesco, Lloyd ----- Meta, Ky.  
 Sheppard, A. A. ----- Holden, W. Va.  
 Stanley, Willie ----- Hardy, Ky.  
 Siltner, Willie ----- Kimper, Ky.  
 Swanson, L. C. ----- 303 Oliver St., N.W., Roanoke, Va.  
 Thornberry, J. G. ----- Sidney, Ky.  
 Thornbury, Alson ----- Kimper, Ky.  
 Varney, Willie ----- Ragland, W. Va.  
 White, Willie ----- Lenore, W. Va.  
 Young, Hiram ----- Rt. 4, Box 406C Ocala, Fla.

### LIBERATED BRETHREN

NAME	ADDRESS
Blair, Willard	Lenore, W. Va.
Brumfield, Billy	Rt. 2, Carthage, N. C.
Hay, Edwin	Huntsville, Ala.
Jenkins, James	Box 80, Holden, W. Va.
Sheppard, Mike	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.

	CHURCH	DELEGATES	MODERATOR	RECEIVED BY BAPTISM		RECEIVED BY LETTER		RECEIVED BY RESTORATION		RECEIVED BY RECOMMENDATION		DISMISSED BY LETTER		DECEASED		EXCLUDED		TOTAL MEMBERSHIP		CHURCH TIME		CHURCH CONTRIBUTION		
50	MT. PLEASANT	James Scott, Monroe Smith, T. R. Boger	Lloyd Sesco	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	37	2	\$30.00										
	APPLE ORCHARD	Willie Nichols, John Lowe, Van Maynard	Edwin May	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	1	\$35.00										
	ENON	Jack Farley, Pete Maynard, James Spencer	Lloyd Sesco	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	1	\$15.00										
	REBECCA	Edward Runyon, Maynard Hay, James Gillman	Jeff May	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	66	2	\$35.00											
	BENT BRANCH	Lloyd Sesco, Clifford Maynard, Ted Blackburn	B. H. Bevins	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	76	3	\$40.00											
	SARDIS	Steve Robinson, Jr., Jesse Farley, John Brumfield	Willie Varney	4	1	0	1	0	5	0	100	4	\$30.00											
	BIG BRANCH	J. L. Nichols, Harvey Lowe, Landon McCoy	Ernest Cochran	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	41	3	\$35.00											
	MARY ELIZABETH	S. B. Fraley, Alex Edminston, Tommy Jackson	Charlie Johnson	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	47	3	\$25.00											
	BETHANY	Charles Hall, Ellis Davis, Donnie Lowe	Willie White	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	48	4	\$20.00											
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	ELK FORK	Andrew Maynard, Wayne Sheppard, James Jenkins	Faye Scott	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	3	\$25.00											
	PILGRIM'S HOME	Willard Young, Marshall Williamson, Newton Walters	Wayne Herald	4	0	0	0	15	3	0	155	4	\$50.00											
	SALEM	B. H. Bevins, Floyd Morris, Calvin C. Bevins	B. H. Bevins	2	0	0	0	0	5	1	100	1	\$50.00											
	SIDNEY	Bascom Maynard, Tan Howell, Jobe Blackburn	Lewis Marcum	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	25	4	\$20.00											
	DIX FORK	J. G. Thornberry, Charlie Johnson, Ernest Cochran	Ernest Cochran	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	78	1	\$35.00											
	NARROWS BRANCH	Willie Stanley, Kelly Stanley, Bill Williams	Roosevelt Lowe	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	69	4	\$35.00											
	LEANNAH	Milford Lowe, Ira Robinson, Tom Robinson	Steve Robinson, Jr.	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	42	2	\$20.00											
	BUCK CREEK	Delbert Kazee, Willis Dials, Wayne Herald	Wayne Herald	1	0	0	2	2	1	0	37	3	\$20.00											
	TIBITHA	Joe Robinette, Dana Gillman, Charley Evans	Charley Evans	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	44	1	\$25.00											
51	LITTLE ROSA	Faye Scott, Robert L. Robinson, Lacy Marcum	B. H. Bevins	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	21	2	\$20.00											
	TURKEY CREEK	Floyd Williamson, Clayton Burris, Leroy Reed	Charlie Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	77	2	\$40.00											
	SAMARIA	Sherman May, Frankie White, Eugene May	Jeff May	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	35	1	\$20.00											
	ROSA	Uley Perry, Ross Cline, Ted Glanden	Johnnie Cline	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	104	3	\$30.00											
	MUNCY VALLEY	Mont Ellis, Avery Hensley	Mont Ellis	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	19	2	\$10.00											
	LITTLE VIRGIE	Alson Thornbury, Willie Stiltner, John Scott	Lloyd Sesco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	4	\$20.00											
	SOUTHERN HOME	Tommy Adair, J. R. Triplet, Childmer Marcum	Tommy Adair	0	5	0	0	8	1	4	24	1	\$25.00											
	PILGRIM'S REST	Willie Stanley, Gordon Maynard, Emzie Williamson	Edwin May	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	2	\$20.00											
	OKEECHOBEE	G. W. Clay, Earl Clay	Earl Clay	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	2	\$10.00											
<b>TOTALS</b>				42	14	0	4	35	31	17	1374			\$740.00										

## CHURCHES AND CLERKS

CHURCH	ADDRESS	CLERK	ADDRESS
MT. PLEASANT	Sidney, Ky.	James Scott	Box 105, Sidney, Ky.
APPLE ORCHARD	McCombs, Ky.	Van Maynard	Box 926, Williamson, W. Va.
ENON	McCarr, Ky.	James Spencer	McCarr, Ky.
REBECCA	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.	F. M. Preece	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.
BENT BRANCH	Meta, Ky.	John Maynard	Zebulon, Ky.
SARDIS	Delbarton, W. Va.	Jesse Farley	Rt. 1, Box 10, Delbarton, W. Va.
BIG BRANCH	McCombs, Ky.	J. L. Nichols	Box 2, McCombs, Ky.
MARY ELIZABETH	Hatfield, Ky.	S. B. Fraley	Hatfield, Ky.
BETHANY	Lenore, W. Va.	Ellis Davis	Rt. 1, Box 180, Williamson, W. Va.
ELK FORK	Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.	Ance Curry	Delbarton, W. Va.
PILGRIM'S HOME	Varney, Ky.	James M. Ray	Box 132, Varney, Ky.
SALEM	Goody, Ky.	Calvin C. Bevins	209 Mapelawn Ave., N.E., Roanoke, Va.
SIDNEY	Three Forks, Ky.	Stella Maynard	Box 30, Pilgrim, Ky.
DIX FORK	Canada, Ky.	Omer Williamson	Canada, Ky.
NARROWS BRANCH	Hardy, Ky.	Clyde Brown	1613 Pine St., Kenova, W. Va.
LEANNAH	Pilgrim, Ky.	T. J. Robinson	Pilgrim, Ky.
BUCK CREEK	Beauty, Ky.	Elizabeth Dials	Beauty, Ky.
TABITHA	Stirrat, W. Va.	Dana Gillman	Box 155, Whitman, W. Va.
LITTLE ROSA	Chattaroy, W. Va.	Robert L. Robinson	Box 211, Chatteroy, W. Va.
TURKEY CREEK	Turkey Creek, Ky.	Landon Taylor	Box 93, Turkey Creek, Ky.
SAMARIA	Dingess, W. Va.	Ersel Prince	Dingess, W. Va.
ROSA	Baisden, W. Va.	Uley Perry	Box 96, Gilbert, W. Va.
MUNCY VALLEY	Pie, W. Va.	Mont Ellis	Rt. 2, Delbarton, W. Va.
LITTLE VIRGIE	Kimper, Ky.	John J. Scott	Kimper, Ky.
SOUTHERN HOME	Rt. 1, Citra, Fla.	Childmer Marcum	Rt. 1, Box 415, Citra, Fla.
PILGRIM'S REST	Piso, Ky.	Clifford R. Maynard	Meta, Ky.
OKEECHOBEE	Okeechobee, Fla.	Ralph Reed	736 Hibiscus Dr., Royal Palm Beach, Fla.