

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION
OF OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

Friday, September 1, 1972 and the two following days.

The Indian Bottom Association in session assembled with the New Bethlehem Church, Talcum, Knott County, Ky. Sept. 1, 1972, met at the church house for preaching services, and after singing some old songs of Zion, due to the absence of Elder Glenn Adkins, who was appointed in last years session as alternate, the Moderator appointed Elder Chalmer Engle to introduce the services. He was blessed to do so, followed by Elder J. Nelson Seals who was chosen by delegates of 1971 session to preach this introductory sermon. His text was the Promises of God, that spoke the blessings of God, which Abraham believed and followed; also as many as followed the same promises.

The delegates remained at the church house and Elder Ross Hopkins of the New Salem Association was called on to make remarks, and prayer by Elder Melvin Watts also of the New Salem Association.

The Association was called to order by Elder Manus Isom, our beloved Moderator, who called for letters of the churches that compose the Indian Bottom Association.

1. After reading the New Bethlehem Church letter a move was made by Elder Kirby Isom to receive all church letters as they were in regular form, seat the delegates and refer all queries and request to the Committee on Arrangements, with the exception of the request of New Home Church which Bro. Kirby suggested it to be held until all our delegates and our corresponding association delegates have been seated, and then the request of the New Home Church shall come under the consideration of this Association. A second was made to Brother Kirby's move, which was put before the Association; there was no objection.

2. The Association was then organized by choosing the following officers.

Elder Manus Isom.....Moderator
Elder Carl Back.....Asst.Moderator
Elder Olus Baldridge.....Clerk
Brother McKinley McIntosh...Asst: Clerk

3. The Moderator called for newly organized churches and received none.

4. Called for churches desiring to take up fellowship with us and received none.

5. A move and second was made to read the constitution, and have Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and Constitution printed in the Minutes.

6. Called for corresponding Associations and received the following:

A. NEW SALEM- Elders: Mitchell Chaffins, Banner Manns, Clive Hall, Carl Ray Tuttle, Burton Howard, Grover Adkins, Melyin Watts, Monroe Jones, Ross Hopkins, Vernon Rose, J.C. Sparks, Brethren: W.B. Day, Joe Brown, Hager Watts, Tom Waddles, Green Perry, Omery Compton, Jink Ray, Perry Tackett, Allen Pitts.

B. UNION- Elders: Fon Bowling, W.F. Hubbard, Elmer Church, Evans Baily, Dallas Ramsey, Brethren: Lonnie Mounts, Carl Duty, Herman West, Thurston Bowman, Ivel Colman. Letter in hands of Lonnie Mounts.

C. SARDIS- Elders: Lloyd SESCO, Clifford Maynard, Brethren: Delbert Kezee, Joe Warrrix, Troy Walters, and Jim Scott.

D. PHILADELPHIA- Elders: Ira Adkins, Henry Barney, Brethren: Walter Morrison, Ira Stepp, Paul Morrison.

E. NORTHERN NEW SALEM- Elders: Chuck Kesee, Irvin Hicks, Hiram Adkins, Joshua Hicks, Roy Caudill, Ray Hoover, Brethren: Clarence Jenkins, David Slone, Walter Mullins, Charles Craft.

F. THORNTON UNION- No letter, no delegates.

All foregoing letters received and delegates were given the right hand of fellowship and seated with us in council.

7. The request of New Home Church was now read.

The New Home Church of Old Regular Baptist met 2nd in Aug., 1972, it being our regular meeting time. The church was seated and found in love and fellowship. After ample discussion and prayerful consideration, the church agreed unanimously by move and second to send a request to our beloved Indian Bottom Association in her 1972 session when con-

vened with the New Bethlehem Church, Talcum, Knott County, Kentucky.

It appearing that the leadership of our association has labored humbly and persistently with the leadership of the Thornton Union Association and churches relative to some of her practices which are most offensive to our brotherhood. It seems as of this date our labor has been in vain. Therefore we request that the Indian Bottom Association withdraw our hand from Thornton Union Association and drop correspondence with her at this session of our association. However, if Thornton Union should give this offensive matter prompt and satisfactory attention during her 1972 session, then we request that our association give this matter further consideration.

Finally, should Thornton Union fail relative to this matter, then we suggest or request that our association withdraw our hand and correspondence from her and all her churches with the exception of the Blair Branch Church, the Mt. Olive Church and the Friendship Church which have shown that they desire peace, fellowship and correspondence with our brethren, and we further believe and have faith sufficiently in them, that should their association fail, that they will take proper disciplinary steps to maintain their high honor of peace, fellowship and correspondence with God's little children.

Done and signed by the order of the New Home Church.

Elder Olus Baldridge
Moderator

Brother Billie Moore
Clerk

ANSWER TO THE REQUEST OF THE NEW HOME CHURCH

The Indian Bottom Association having carefully and prayerfully considered the request of the New Home Church, by move and second duly carried, do grant her request in its entirety. And by consent and agreement of this association we say with a heart full of love, that if any other Thornton Union Churches or individual members desire to withdraw from the Thornton Union Association and her disorders, will be granted the same privileges of love, peace and fellowship from this association upon

their acknowledgement and the disciplinary actions of same, together with their sister churches, the Blair Branch, Mt. Olive and Friendship Churches.

8. Called for transient ministers and members of the same faith and order and received, Elders: I. D. Back, Critt Eldridge, Charlie Gibson, Arnold Caudill, Green Fields, Brethren: Hubert Eldridge, Kirby Jent, Dave Hampton, Truman Jent, John Back, who were given the right hand of fellowship and seated with us.

9. By a move and second it was agreed that the moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

10. Appointed one delegate from each church with the entire delegation of the New Bethlehem Church as Committee on Ministry to arrange for preaching Friday evening and Saturday morning.

11. Appointed same committee as on ministry but only one delegate from each church, with moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, and entire delegation from our corresponding associations, and transients to meet with us Friday afternoon at 2:30 P.M. to arrange the work for Saturday morning.

12. By a regular move and second it was agreed that we correspond with the following associations, and clerks prepare letters to same:

NEW SALEM, UNION, SARDIS, PHILADELPHIA, NORTHERN
NEW SALEM

13. Committee on Ministry reported the stand be filled by: FRIDAY AFTERNOON - Elder Roy Caudill of Northern New Salem, Elder Carl Ray Tuttle of the New Salem, SATURDAY MORNING - Elder Henry Barney of Philadelphia, Elder Hiram Adkins of the Northern New Salem, Elder Banner Manns of the New Salem, and Elder Chuck Kesee of the Northern New Salem.

14. By a move and second the association adjourned until 9:30 A.M. Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 2, 1972

The Indian Bottom Association met pursuant to adjournment and after singing some old songs of Zion, Elder Grover Adkins of the New Salem was called on to introduce the business session who wonderfully admonished the brotherhood and a good

prayer by same.

The Association proceeded as follows.

1. Called the roll and noted the absentees.

2. Ministers chosen to preach on the stand and congregation was excused to go to the stand for preaching.

3. Committee on Arrangements report read and received by a move and second; committee was then discharged.

4. Appointed a committee on finance: Kirby Isom, Dewey Eldridge, Lloyd Eldridge, who report the sum of \$455.00 received from the churches. A move and second was made to receive their report.

5. By move and second to have 2500 copies of minutes printed and that the Clerk be the secretary treasurer, that he superintend the printing of same, and he be allowed \$25.00 for expenses.

6. Appointed same Committee on Ministry as on Friday to arrange for preaching Saturday evening and Sunday morning. For Saturday: No services Saturday evening. Sunday morning: Elders: Clark Hayes, Silie Williams, Olus Baldrige, Nelson Seals, and Carl Back.

7. Circular Letter was read by Elder Chalmer Engle, by move and second receive same and have it printed in our minutes. Committee on Ministry chose Elder Olus Baldrige to write one for inspection next year.

8. Brethren were called on to report on attending union meetings and associations who reported that they had done the best that they could. A move and second to receive their report and excuse failures.

9. By a move and second that Union Meetings and Communion times be printed in the minutes.

10. By a move and second it was agreed to have obituaries and pictures printed in the minutes with the understanding that \$5.00 (five dollars) be included for printing pictures.

11. Treasurer's report:

Total for last year (1971).....	\$639.29
Cost of printing minutes.....	\$532.78
Clerk's expense.....	\$ 25.00
Postage.....	\$ 4.22

Total expenses for 1971.....	\$562.00
Balance on hand September 1, 1972	\$ 77.29
Received from churches Sept. 2, 1972.....	\$455.00
Received for pictures.....	\$ 60.00
Donations.....	\$ 81.00
Received from Defeated Creek Church after Assn.....	\$ 15.00
Received for pictures after Assn.	\$ 10.00
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A move and second to receive treasurer's report.

12. Letters prepared by Clerk to Corresponding Associations as follows:

A. NEW SALEM-To convene with the Old Beaver Church, Minnie, Floyd County, Ky., beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in Sept., 1972, and the two following days. Elders: Kirby Isom, Manus Isom, Lewis Lucas, Lloyd Eldridge, J. Nelson Seals, Olus Baldridge, Ison Stallard, Silie Williams, Odis Ritchie Brethren: John Preese, Merel Smith, Willie Eldridge, Henry Eldridge, McKinley McIntosh, Bee Halcomb.

B. UNION-To convene with the Frozen Creek Church, Pike County, Ky. beginning on Friday before the 3rd Saturday in Sept., 1972, and the following two days. Delegates, Elders: Kirby Isom, Olus Baldridge, Manus Isom, Ison Stallard, J. Nelson Seals, Lewis Lucas, Brethren: John Preese, Merel Smith, McKinley McIntosh.

C. SARDIS-To convene with the Turkey Creek Church, Turkey Creek, Pike County, Ky. beginning on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in Sept., 1972, and the two following days. The delegates are: Elders: Kirby Isom, J. Nelson Seals, Olus Baldridge, Clark Hays, Ermil Isom, Manus Isom, Carl Back, Lewis Lucas, Lloyd Eldridge, Ison Stallard, Brethren: John Preese, Merle Smith, Henry Eldridge, Willie Eldridge.

D. PHILADELPHIA-To convene with the South Fork Church, Melrose, Worthington, Ky. beginning on Friday before the 2nd Saturday in August, 1973 and the two following days. The delegates are: Elders: Kirby Isom, Manus Isom, Olus Baldridge, J. Nelson Seals, Lewis Lucas, Brethren: John Preese, Merle Smith, McKinley McIntosh, Lovel Polly, Bee Halcomb.

E. NORTHERN NEW SALEM-To convene with the Little Angel Church, Columbus, Ohio, beginning on Friday before the 1st Saturday in August, 1973 and the two following days. The delegates are: Elders: Kirby Isom, Manus Isom, Lloyd Eldridge, Olus Baldridge, J. Nelson Seals, Ermil Isom, Carl Back, Lewis Lucas; Brethren: McKinley McIntosh, Cleon Combs, Willie Eldridge, Austin Williams, Henry Eldridge.

13. Committee on Ministry chose Elder Ermil Isom to preach the introductory sermon in 1973 and Elder Frank Fugate be his alternate.

14. In regard to request of the Oven Fork and the Little Dove Churches asking for the 1973 session of the Indian Bottom Association, as there were not any delegates from Oven Fork present Saturday, a move and second was made to grant the Little Dove Church the next session of the Indian Bottom Association.

15. In regard to the request of the Kingdom Come Church, the Association answered that it only pertained to the year of 1959 (Item No 9. Page 4 of the 1959 Minutes).

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Indian Bottom Association: It is with an humble heart I will try to write this letter, and the help of God. We read John 3-16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believe on Him, should not perish but have everlasting life."

So Brothers, let's us love one another, for God said when a man is born of God he is born of love. Brother, where is that love gone? Let us think for a while. There is enough of trouble in this world. Let us pray for one another.

When our Lord was born on earth He said He was the light of the world. He said "I go away." You are the light of the world. Are you letting that light shine? The Lord said, "Be ye ready for you know not the day or the hour the Son of man cometh." Oh, Brothers and Sisters, what are we promised if we love God and keep His commandments, a home in Heaven and land of peace and rest. We know that all things work together for good to them that love God.

Who are called according to His purpose? Brothers, does love for God and his Brethren go together?

If a man say I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar, for he that loveth not his brother whom he has seen how can he love God whom he has not seen? Now let us not look back, but look forward, let's forget all old things and think of the new, let God be our guide and follow Him. Forget what man may say, for God knows the heart of every man and woman. He knows those that are His. For many have crossed over that river and are waiting on the other side. So let us be humble so when we have to part from this time world that we can meet on the other side. So let us pray for one another, and let that love continue among us.

So let us sing unto the Lord, and make music so sweet and pray with open hearts that we'll meet again some day.

Written by your Brother-In-The-Lord,
Elder Chalmer Engle

16. Committee on Council report called for. Elder Kirby, Committee Secretary, reported in detail of the work of the committee in all their undertakings. By move and second and unanimously carried, the association approved and accepted the committee reports.

16B. Elder Manus Isom, Moderator of the Association appointed Elder Carl Back, Elder Olus Baldrige, Elder Kirby Isom, Elder Nelson Seals, Elder Frank Fugate, Elder Manus Isom, and Brother John Preese to serve on the Association Committee for another year. These appointments were accepted and approved by the Association. By move and second Elder Manus Isom was to serve in the capacity as chairman of the committee and Elder Kirby Isom was to serve as secretary.

17. Resolved by the Association that the Clerk draw a resolution of appreciation to the New Bethlehem Church and the community at large for the splendid care and consideration given the 1972 session of the Indian Bottom Association,

18. By move and second the minutes were read, corrected if need be and approved for final printing.

19. Moved and seconded to adjourn to the time and place of our next Association in 1973.

20. The Association was closed with prayer by Elder Burton Howard of the New Salem Association.

Done and signed by order of the Association.

Elder Manus Isom, Moderator

Elder Carl Back, Assistant Moderator

Elder Olus Baldrige, Clerk

Bro. McKinley McIntosh, Assistant Clerk

RESOLUTION AS REQUESTED IN ITEM 17.

Resolved that the officers and delegates of the seventy-seventh session of the Indian Bottom Association extend their most heart-felt thanks to the New Bethlehem Church, and their friends and the community at large. Also Brethren and Sisters of sister churches and associations who helped care for and feed our correspondence during this meeting. May God bless all of you in basket and in store. We offer our thanks to those who let us use their building for our delegates and for all who aided in any way in making this session one of the most wonderful associations we have had in many years.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 1972

A goodly congregation met at the church house Sunday, September 3, 1972. Pretty soon after hand shakes and lovable greetings among each other the echos of Zion's old songs began to ring out. Oh, how sweet was the sound; surely it must have come from the good Lord above.

The services were introduced by Elder Clark Hayes who after making some sweet remarks led us in the Throne of his grace in prayer. Second on the stand was Elder Irvin Hicks who delivered a glorious message. He seemed to feed the souls of us so much. Third on the stand was Elder Virgil Burnett. The good Lord seemed to lift him to spiritual heights as he expounded the great and glorious gospel of our beloved Saviour. Fourth on the stand was Elder Coy Combs. He too, like those who preceded him, was carried away into the land of Beulah. We shall long remember his sweet message. Fifth on the stand was our Assistant Moderator, Elder Carl Back, who preached and closed this session of our dear old Association. Brother Carl was so wonderfully

blessed. His message will long be remembered.

UNION AND COMMUNION MEETINGS

May, 1973

LITTLE DOVE-Union: 2nd Sat. and Sun. in May, 1973. Elders: Critt Eldridge, Melvin Watts, Manus Isom, I.D. Back, Brother Lewis Craft. Communion 2nd Sunday in July.

REYNOLDS FORK-Union: 3rd Sat. and Sun. in May, 1973. Elders: Brothers: I.D. Back, Clark Hays, Charlie Gibson, Woodrow Dye, John Preese, Lee Mosley, Kirby Jent, Truman Jent, Silton Dye, Tilton Dye. Communion 3rd Sunday in June.

BULL CREEK-Union: 3rd Sat. and Sun. in May, 1973. Elders: Ermil Isom, Bro. Lewis Craft, Odis Ritchie, Carl Back. Communion 3rd Sunday in August.

LITTLE ZION-Union: 3rd Sat. and Sun. in May, 1973. Brothers: Lewis Craft, John Preese. Communion 3rd Sunday in July.

POOR FORK-Union: 3rd Sat. night and Sun. in May, 1973. Elders: Manus Isom, Kirby Isom, Bill Halcomb, John Wright, Bill Sparks. Communion time not known.

CEDAR GROVE-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in May, 1973. Elders: and Brothers: James D. Fields, John Preese, Olus Baldrige, I.D. Back, J.W. Pratt. Communion 4th Sunday in August.

June, 1973

HAPPY HOME-Union: Brothers: Lewis Craft, Arnold McKnight, Elders: Olus Baldrige, Melvin Watts, Frank Slone, Carl Back. Communion 1st Sunday in July.

CLEAR FORK-Union: 1st Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: Carl Back, Estill Caudill, Corbet Bates, J.C. Sparks. Communion-1st Sunday in July.

BIG LEATHERWOOD-Union: 2nd Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: No list turned in. Communion-2nd Sunday in July.

NEW HOME-Union: 2nd Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: Ellis Amburgey, Melvin Watts, Ralph Howard, J.C. Sparks, Groyer Adkins, Irvin Hicks. Communion-2nd Sunday in July.

KINGDOM COME-Union: 2nd Sat. and Sun. in June,

1973. Elders: All the same faith and order.

Communion-2nd Sunday in July.

OVEN FORK-Union: 2nd Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: Carl Back, I.D. Back, Patton Taylor, Isma Sparks. Communion-2nd Sunday in August.

POWELL-Union: 3rd Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. James Fields, Dewey Eldridge, Arlie Caudill, Elders. Communion-3rd Sunday in July.

MAPLE GROVE-Union: 3rd Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: All same faith and order. Communion-3rd Sunday in July.

NORTHERN NEW HOME-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in July, 1973. Elders: Freddie Kidd, Melvin Watts, John Preese, Carl Ray Tuttle, Nelson Seals, Kirby Isom. Communion-not listed.

BIG CREEK-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: I.D. Back, Manus Isom, Hiram Adkins, Brother: John Preese. Communion-4th Sunday in July.

TOLSON CREEK-UNION: 4th Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: No list turned in. Communion 4th Sunday in July.

NEW BETHLEHEM-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: Roy Caudill, Clark Hays, Irvin Hicks, Estill Slone. Communion-4th Sunday in July.

DIXON MEMORIAL-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: Charlie Gibson, Bro. John Preese, Elder Clark Hays, Bro. Kirby Jent, Elder Ermil Isom, Bro. Lewis Craft, Elder Critt Eldridge, Bro. Arnold, McKnight, Moderator, Carl Back. Communion-4th Sunday in July.

IVY POINT-Union: 4th Sat. and Sun. in June, 1973. Elders: No list turned in. Communion-4th Sunday in July.

August, 1973

DEFEATED CREEK-Union: 1st Sat. and Sun. in August, 1973. Elders: Kirby Isom, Ermil Isom, Jim Pratt, Bill Halcomb, Wesley Raleigh, Virgil Halcomb, Jonah Roark. Communion-1st Sunday in August.

Obituaries

CARLOS LEE COMBS

Carlos Lee Combs was born into the home of Kell and Ethel Hall Combs, Nov. 20, 1949 and deceased this life August 17, 1972, making his stay on earth 22 years and 9 months. Carlos Lee was not married and lived with his Mother and Father at the time of his death.

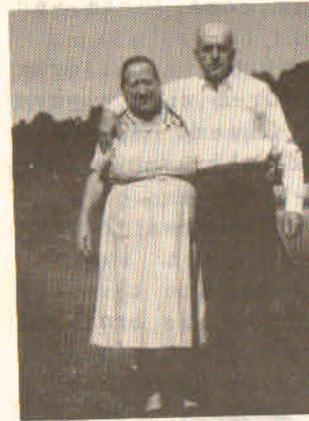
Carlos leaves to mourn his passing his beloved Father and Mother, Brother Kell and Sister Ethel Hall Combs of Leburn, Ky., 5 brothers: Edwin and Walter both of Leburn, Ky., French, Orville Ray and Robert all of Dunkirk, Ohio, 3 sisters: Shirley Combs, Leburn, Ky., Edith Shick of Mayport, Pa., Judy Hensley, Hauchuca, Arizona, also a great host of relatives and friends are left to mourn the sudden passing of Carlos. Brother Kell told me in talking that Carlos was a good boy and never bothered anyone, he was an humble child and showed respect for others around him.

To the family I must say that God is just and if Carlos called on God in the dying hour God was there and able to save his soul in a moment of time. The Lord giveth and the Lord has taken away and blessed be the name of God. To Brother Kell's and Sister Ethel's children I know not your condition but let this be a loud calling, death is on your trail and may God help you to be ready when he comes.

Written by,

Elder Dillis Combs

ELDER JAMES M. CAUDILL



Elder James M. Caudill was born Sept. 17, 1898 and died Nov. 2, 1971. Early in life he met and married Daisy Caudill, daughter of Rich and Julia Caudill. To this union were born 7 children: Florence Blair, Jeremiah, Ky., Virgie Rose, Dayton, Ohio, Hubert Caudill, Dayton, Ohio, Hobert Caudill, Jeremiah, Ky., Lovell Caudill, Dayton, Ohio. Two preceded him in death: Roscoe Caudill, age 13 and Grace Caudill, infant. 2 brothers:

Howard Caudill, Waynesburg, Ky., and Herman Caudill of Florence, Ky. He leaves his wife, Daisy and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. He joined the Regular Baptist Church in April, 1951 and was baptized in May, 1951 as a member of the Doty Creek Church. Very soon after joining the church he felt a calling to the Ministry, and was a faithful servant until death.

Several years later he took his fellowship with the Big Leatherwood Church and was in the arm when the Dixon Memorial Church was organized. He was Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and Trustee, at the time of his death.

Jim and Daisy were blessed to spend 48 happy years together. They have told me many times they never had a quarrel. Side by side they were in the kitchen and on the road as they journeyed to church someplace each week end.

Jim loved the Church so much that he and Brother Carl Back worked so hard to establish. The members of the Dixon Memorial Church will always cherish the many memories of Bro. Jim. His presence will be greatly missed.

On Tuesday morning about 2 o'clock, while sitting in a chair his companion near, God sent his Angel

down, and Bro. Jim fell asleep without a murmur or a sound. Although his companion tried so hard to have him stay on, he bowed his head to the will of God, and will sleep on until the Voice that raised Lazarus from the dead speaks, "Jim, come forth, and live forever more."

God blessed Bro. Jim to see 3 of their children join the church. I know these children will always be glad they obeyed while Daddy lived. May God bless the other two fine boys to do the same before Mom too goes to join Bro. Jim.

Today as we lay the body of Bro. Jim down to rest is Sister Daisy's birthday. No one but she can realize what an awful hurt it is to her on this, her 63rd birthday. It is not needful of me, his brother, to remind this fine family to come see Mom often. I know they will. Be kind to Mom, and my most humble prayers will be that I shall meet on Heaven's Shore this fine family that has been so good to me and whom I love so much. May God bless his other brother, Herman, whom he loved so well. God bless Bro. Carl to carry on the church they so loved.

Written by his Brother, Elder Howard Caudill
and Elder James D. Fields

NANNIE BRANHAM PRATT



Nannie Branham Pratt was born April 8, 1882, deceased this life Dec. 15, 1971, making her stay on earth 89 years, 8 months, and 7 days. Nannie was the daughter of the late Andrew and Susanna Huff Branham.

In early life (Jan. 1, 1906) Nannie was married to Elhanon Pratt who preceded her in death in 1953. Unto this union were born 9 children: 4 boys: Devaughn of Lexington, Ky., Bertram and Andrew of Louisville, Ky., and Orbin of St. Paris, Ohio; 5 girls: Gail Childers, Garner, Ky. Violet Terry, Leburn, Ky., Mildred Hall, Jeffersonville, Ohio, Melvina Rayfield, Newport News, Va.,

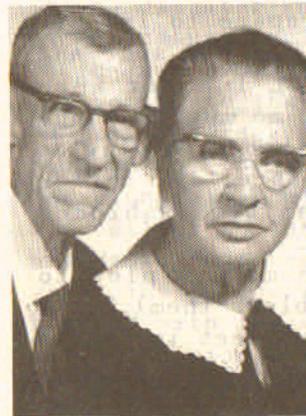
Edna Rose, Columbus, Ohio.

Nannie leaves to mourn her passing all 9 children, 27 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, 1 sister, Mrs. Myrtle Hines, and a great host of friends.

Nannie joined the Regular Baptist Church in 1913 and was baptized by Brother Linzy Mosley and Nathan Maggard. She loved the Lord and loved her Church and attended faithfully as long as she was physically able. Sister Nannie's life has been a light to her family, her church and the community. We feel that Mother's loss is Heaven's gain.

Writer unknown

ALICE MULLINS



I, Leander Mullins, will try to write the obituary of my dear beloved wife, Allie Mullins. Allie was born June 2, 1900 to James and Rosanna Gibson of Amburgey, Ky., and deceased Oct. 6, 1972.

She had 3 sisters and 2 brothers, at her death. Lydia Amburgey, her sister, had gone to be with her Lord. Since her death one sister, Sylvia Mullins and one brother, Hiram Gibson have gone to join her.

Left behind to weep and tread this lonesome road is 1 sister, Millie Mullins and 1 brother, Albert Gibson. God bless them in all they do and I pray for the day when we all join Allie in Heaven.

I met and married Allie in 1924. Unto this union were born 4 children: Roy Mullins, Hazard, Ky., Mrs. Ruby Mullins, Amburgey, Ky., Mrs. Audry Terry, Louisville, Ky., and Aria Mullins who died shortly after birth.

Allie was an old-fashioned mother and wife who believed in high moral standings. Regardless of her physical condition she forced herself to help provide a living for the family. Her goals in life were to bring up children to be law-abiding citi-

ens and to fear the things that would cause them to stray from the love of God.

She joined the Regular Baptist Church Sept. 4, 1960. Her delight was to attend church and invite her loved ones home to eat. How she loved to see her friends come.

Allie had been in bad health for many years but in July, 1971 she was told that she had cancer throughout her body. She stayed in the hospital 3 months before her death. When she was told she couldn't live, her mind became confused. As she went on she accepted the fact she had to go and she began to tell the children and me of the beautiful places she had visions of. Oh, how I looked forward to the early morning hours when she would open her eyes and talk about her love for God. How she begged her friends and children to prepare to live in that great city. She called me to her bed side and said, "I thought I knew my Lord but I never knew him as I do now." Those words left me much to hope for. She has left behind a family that is trying so hard to meet her. Her dying words were, "My children are so good to me." It takes an old fashioned mother to raise a family like hers.

I, Leonard Mullins, would like to make a plea to all our relatives and friends (God bless them). Let's resolve to live a christian life and meet in Heaven. Just as I want to meet Allie I also want all my friends and relatives to meet me around the throne of God.

Written by a weak, aging, husband but a strong person in the love of God, Leonard Mullins



JAMES COMBS

On May 13, 1923, when spring was in full bloom, a little flower was born into the home of E.H. and Armeldia Boark Combs, in Letcher Co., Ky. James grew up and played with his brothers up and down the hills overlooking the north fork of the Kentucky River, where he is soon to be laid to rest. It was here he grew to man-

hood, worked on the homeplace farm and for several years dug coal in various mines located in Letcher County.

In the year of 1946, he met and married Margaret Burroughs of Letcher Co. Sister Margaret has been a faithful and loving wife; and unto this union were born 6 children. I don't believe I have ever seen children who thought any more of their daddy than did Jerry, Betty, Danny, Ebra, and Jeffrey. Their first born, little James Edward preceded him in death, while an infant. Also left to mourn his passing in addition to his children and loving wife are three brothers: Clayton of Batesville, Indiana, Wess of Whitesburg, Ky., and Cleon of Latonia, Ky. Also preceding him in death were two brothers, Edgar and Ira, and two sisters, Vada and Mae. He also leaves a loving daughter-in-law, the former LaRuth Whitaker of Whitesburg, Ky., and a little grandson, Jerry, Jr.

In June, 1962, he obtained the mercies of God and was joined to the body of the Pilgrim Home Church at Milan, Indiana, and proved faithful until his passing on Nov. 20, 1970, in Fort Hamilton Hospital in Hamilton, Ohio. Shortly after his conversion, he felt his calling to the ministry. He obeyed the call of his Master and began to publish glad tidings of great joy to the world of the lost. He was not only blessed with the call of the ministry, but also was gifted to sing Zion's songs with perhaps greater power and sweetness than anyone whom the Regular Baptist have ever known within our time. He will truly be remembered by all who were blessed to sit beneath the sound of his voice. Oh, how he sang, "I am dwelling on the Mountain," "I Am Trying to Travel a Path That Is Straight," "Just One Rose Will Do," "Take This Letter to My Mother," "When Mary Had Come the Lord Jesus to Seek," and many others. It seems that even now I can hear him singing.

No Brother was more dedicated to the cause of the church than was Brother James. He was happy in the service of his Master and wanted to share this happiness with others. Again and again he would travel all night and day by himself and Marc Dotson and Kelly Dye, or his brother Cleon Combs to his beloved mountain country of Kentucky or Virginia to

worship with his brothers and sisters, and friends. Many of these journeys were long and tiresome, but God paid him many times for his labor.

One of these paydays came when his son, Jerry, and daughter-in-law, LaRuth, found that peace with Jesus that Brother James often preached about. He truly loved his family and his hope was that they could some day join him in his labor. Sister Margaret stood right by the side of Bro. James and held him up as high as her tender arms could hold him.

The church has lost a true pillar. His family has lost a wonderful daddy, the sinner has lost a real friend and I have lost a fellow traveler that I shall remember and miss until my dying day. I visited him just before he died and he said, "Brother Ermil, I dreamed last night that you and I were preaching together in a little narrow place." So it's not good-bye Brother it's just so long for a little while. Sleep peacefully now and we will see you in the morning when we wake up.

Elder Ermil R. Isom

CLERINDA CAUDILL BACK



I will try to write the obituary of my dear Mother, Clerinda Caudill Back. She was born Jan. 9, 1904 and died Sept. 28, 1971. She was married to Rev. Willie Back who died Dec. 6, 1963. They lived a beautiful life together. They had 5 children; the oldest boy died at the age of 2 years. The other 4 are still living. Ivory Caudill and Jimmy Harold Back of Jeremiah, Ky., and Pauline Ison and Virginia Day of Brownstown, Ind. They

had 14 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

Mother lived a good life. She belonged to the Old Regular Baptist Church for many years. She enjoyed going to church and attended regularly up until her death. She died suddenly. She didn't ever have to lie and suffer. She loved her family, and her friends and church. She is greatly missed by

all that knew her. We, her children, miss her and Daddy so much but we all realize they are both better off and are resting together. We are broken-hearted children but God knows best and we are all hoping and praying to be with them in Heaven some day.

Ivory, Pauline, Virginia and Jimmy Harold

DAVID FIELDS



David was born into the home of Elder Green and Sister Florence Fields at Kodak, Ky., on August 4, 1955. He passed from this life Nov. 26, 1971, making his stay here a short 16 years, 3 months, and 22 days.

David was a good and very quiet natured boy. I never saw him that he did not have a smile on his face. And, it seems that even now I can see him smiling. Whenever I would visit Bro. Green and Sister

Florence, he would be one of the very first to greet me and when I would leave he would almost always ask me to come back and sing again for them. At a time when it seems that so many of our youth are allowing their minds to wonder so far and on so many things that grieve us, I have never been more impressed by anyone than this young man. I remember well the last time we had service at Bro. Green's, how much he enjoyed the singing and preaching. He always seemed to be so near Heaven to me.

A few days before he was to leave us, his mother heard knocks at the door and heard him calling her. Oh, how this grieved her for she knew that in some manner God was telling her that some day soon he would be coming for David.

At approximately 9:00 P.M. on Friday, November 26, an automobile in which David was a passenger turned over on the rain-slick road directly in front of his home, pinning him underneath and claiming the life that was loved so dearly. I have no

doubt the goodness of this young boy. And, his father has said that he has no doubt but that he is peacefully resting in the arms of sweet Jesus.

David leaves to mourn his passing his father and mother of Williamsburg, Ohio, two sisters, Lucille Back and Jeanette Dixon, both of Williamsburg, Ohio. He leaves seven brothers: Hansford of Viper, Ky.; James Darrell of Ulvah, Ky.; Donald and Beckham of Williamsburg, Ohio; PFC Bill Fields, US Army; Dennis Wayne and Clifford at home. He also leaves his grandmother, Dixie Fields, the widow of Elder Beckham Fields of Letcher, Ky. He also leaves a host of friends and other relatives to mourn the loss.

God did not grant him many years in which to mature or achieve fame as men might recognize fame, for he must have needed him more in Glory than we needed him. Though his achievements in this life were few and small, the impressions he made on the lives of those who knew him and the memories we hold so dear are very many and very great.

So sleep on, little David. We miss you, but we soon shall see you smile again. His father and mother and two sisters belong to the Old Regular Baptist Church and I say to his brothers who know to do good, you surely should make your peace with God and then you will be able to see and live with little brother again.

Mourn? Yes, we shall mourn,
Our loss is very great,
And although we cannot see him now,
He's waiting by the gate.

Grieve? Yes we shall grieve.
For God has bid us to:
But, by the grace of God, Beloved,
We soon shall be with you.

Elder Ermil R. Isom

ELDER VERLON FIELDS

Brother Verlon was born Jan. 25, 1922 and passed from this life Nov. 12, 1971. He was the son of Sampson and Mary Caudill Fields. He was always a friendly and lovable boy, and was respected for his honesty and faithfulness.

Early in life he married Rudell Smith. To this union were born 3 sons: Verlon Cleon in Tennessee, Jimmy in Dayton, Ohio, and Jeffery at home, at Hallie, Kentucky.

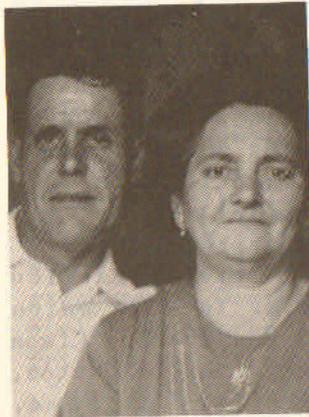


While yet a young man, Bro. Verlon got in trouble over his sins and prayed to God and the Lord forgave him. He joined the Cedar Grove Baptist Church the 4th Sat. in August 1954. He was ordained a deacon the 4th Sat. in Nov., 1957 and was ordained for the ministry the 4th Sat. in April, 1960. He was chosen Asst. Moderator of the Cedar Grove Church the 4th Sat. in August, 1967. He was also Asst. Moderator of the Defeated Creek Church. I can not in words express the great usefulness he was to these two churches and the many other churches he visited. He was so ready and willing to go when he was called. He was one of the best preachers in the Indian Bottom Assn. I am so sure that he has been the means of causing many to seek the Lord. His preaching was so pure and plain. We can write so much good about him, but he was on of the best.

Written by his lonely brother-in-hope,
Elder Manus Ison
LIZZIE GIBSON MULLINS EVERAGE

God hath not promised skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through
God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.

But God hath promised strength for the day
Rest for the light for the way
Grace for the trials, help from above
Unfailing sympathy, undying love.



Lizzie Gibson Mullins Everage was born July 25, 1903, the daughter of Ben & Sylvia Ann Gibson in Knott County. Here she spent the greater portion of her life. She was united in marriage to Newton Mullins in 1927 and to this union were born 7 children, 4 sons and 3 daughters.

They are a nice family and respectable, and both parents being christian people reared them in the fear and admonition of God.

After the death of Father, Sister Lizzie was married to Price Everage who survives along with 3 sisters, 35 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren.

Sister Lizzie was afflicted for quite some time but this she bore like a true christian even in the jaws of death, as God issued the summons and caused her to enter a coma in order to prepare her to be borne away. She entered the coma singing that old hymn "Give Me Jesus." So we truly believe Sister Lizzie could witness with Job when he said, "Though he slay me yet I serve him." The suffering became so great on March 3, 1972 she quietly and peacefully slipped away to the arms of Jesus, making her stay in this troublesome world 68 yrs., 7 months and 7 days.

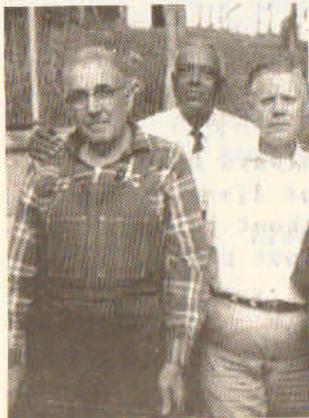
We truly believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

An unworthy Brother-in-Hope, Lewis F. Craft

WATSON EVERAGE

Christ abolished death in that he arose from the dead and is able to raise mankind to everlasting life.

I will now try to write an obituary of my beloved husband Watson Everage. Watson was born into the home of Nicholas and Martha Caudill Everage, Aug. 20, 1889, deceased life March 1, 1972, making his stay on earth 82 years, 5 months and 11 days.



During an early age in life he took Millie Watts Everage to be his companion for life. To this union were born 10 children; 3 preceded him in death as infants. Living, his loving companion; boys: Estill, Everett, Berlin; girls: Della, Claudia, Unave, and Juanita.

Watson joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and for many years lived true and faithful to his confession until death.

Watson was loved by all who knew him. His companion and children cherished and loved him with the greatest love. Yes, we miss you, Dad, but we know you are asleep in the arms of Jesus and with the help of God we expect to see you again.

So sleep on, Dad, that great day of the Lord draws nigh when we can be together to never be separated again.

Written by his companion and children

NANCY EVERAGE



I will try to write an obituary of my dear Mother, Nancy Everage. She was born Oct 29, 1884 and deceased this life Feb. 3, 1972. She was 87 years, 3 months and 2 days old. She was the daughter of Sam and Martha Collins Mullins. At the age of 27 she met and married Thomas Everage. To this union were born 7 children, 3 boys and 4 girls. The husband, a son, a daughter all preceded her in death. She leaves 3 girls: Ollie Mullins

of Litt Carr, Ky., Myrtle Calton and Arizona Smith, both of Morehead, Ky., George Everage of Austin, Ind., Sam of Amburgey, Ky., and 1 sister, Maggie Everage of Sellerburg, Ind., to mourn for her. She leaves 36 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. She left her family a hope that Heaven was waiting for her and would be her future home. She would point toward Heaven and try to tell her children something

but they could not understand her words because she was so weak. She was loved by everyone who knew her and she always had a good word to say to everyone. She had been very ill for a long time but was bedfast 3 weeks before death. She was blessed to go and stay with her children for many years. She was with her son, Sam, when she passed away. We all do miss her kind words and loving touch.

She was one among the last of our old time mothers left here with us who believe in the old-time common way. She knew the trials of life that it took to rear a family and teach them in the way they should go. She was a mother to a lot more than her own children. She was an example that many of our young daughters and mothers should try to follow. There are only a few more of the old mothers left in our country that can be such a great example to our daughters.

Mother didn't join any church but I believe she joined the church of God and was baptized with the Fire and the Holy Ghost. She told me she had been talking to Brother George Higgins and he told her she must be baptized so I am asking my brothers and sisters let's all try to meet Mother and Father around the throne of God where there will be no more separation. Strive toward that home and receive that glorious crown that glitters with gold and sparkles with diamonds. So I feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by her daughter, Ollie Mullins

SARAH LEE SLONE



With much sadness I will attempt to write the obituary of Sarah Lee Slone. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dunaway and the wife of Eugene Slone. Unto this union were born 6 children: Sarah Lee was 26 years old and passed away Jan. 27, 1970, with heart trouble. She was a good wife and good mother, loved by all who knew her. She would meet you with a smile

and welcome you into her home. She told me about 6 months before she died that her heart was bad and she prayed for the Lord to let her live to rear her children and to save her soul. I believe with all my heart that God heard her cries and saved her soul. She was so good and kind. She told her husband she was ready to die the night she passed away. I just hope her children will remember their good mother and be as she wanted them to be, good and kind and pray to God as your mother did.

The children are: 4 girls and 2 boys, The girls are: Linda, Betty, Brenda, and Barba; the boys: Rickey, and Larry who was just 21 days old when she passed away. She leaves to mourn their loss 6 children, her husband, Eugene Slone, and her Father and Mother. She has brothers and sisters. (I don't know them), her father-in-law, mother-in-law and a great host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. But I believe our loss is Heaven's gain. So children, if you want to see Mama again try to be good girls and boys and trust in the Lord and you will see Mama again. I truly believe, Eugene, to live for the Lord and I believe you will be with Sarah again. She is gone but not forgotten.

Written by her Aunt and a sister-in-the-Lord,

I hope, Sarah Ann Slone

ETHEL THORNSBERRY VANCE



If it be the Lord's will and He be my guide, I will write this obituary. It is with much sadness and a broken heart that I will write an obituary of my loving step daughter, Ethel Thornsberry Vance. She was the daughter of Whitt and Clearsie Martin Thornsberry. She was born April 6, 1923 and departed this earth Aug. 7, 1972, making her stay 49 years, 4 months and 1 day. Her mother passed away when she was 17 months old. I married her daddy when she was a little

girl. I reared her as my own daughter. When she was 16 years old she married Osee Vance and to this union 8 children were born, 4 boys and 4 girls: Rose Lee Williams, Litt Carr, Ky., Oglee Vance, Medina, Ohio, Rannie Vance, Litt Carr, Ky., Dulcie Mullins, Brinkley Ky., Linda Combs, Mallie, Ky., Osee Jr, Clearsie and Sheldon of Litt Carr, Ky. She left 3 brothers and 3 sisters who miss her dearly: Bethel Seals, Litt Carr, Ky., Nettie Bentley, Mallie, Ky., Lois Jean Turner, Jeffersonville, Ky., J.W. and David both of Beatesville, Ind., and Roger, address unknown. She also left 9 grandchildren.

She was taken to the hospital where she lived 8 weeks. She had that dreadful disease-cancer. She would pray all the time and ask all to pray for her. She told her husband and brother Clark Hayes that she was ready to go and wanted to get well enough to come join the church but the death angel came to the hospital and took her home to live with the Lord forever and to be with the Lord and her dad that has been gone for 15 years. So now, Children, if you want to see Mother again fall out with sin and be born again. I believe with all my heart that she is now at rest where no cancer will be there to suffer her little body. She was loved by all who knew her. I hope to meet her around the throne of God where there'll be no tears to wipe away and all will be peace and happiness for ever and ever.

Written by broken hearted Step-Mother,
Dorothy Thornsberry Smith

JOHN S. HAMPTON

Brother John S. Hampton the son of Rich and Nancy Sumner Hampton was born April 15, 1889 and passed from this life March 8, 1972, making his stay on earth 82 years, 10 months and 8 days. The Lord had blessed him to live to a good old age. He had lived a full life and had served his Lord and reared a wonderful family. He taught them to love one another and to love



the Lord and to be good citizens. He believed in the old Bible that says that to bring up a child in the way that it should go and when it becomes old it would not depart from it.

Years and years ago he saw the need of a Saviour, called on the name of the Lord, and felt like the Lord had heard his cries. He went to the church and told them the good things that the Lord had done for him and he became a member of the Regular Baptist Family. He was a wonderful man, a good citizen, a sincere man of God, a worker in the house of the Lord, a good provider for his family, an excellent father, a quiet and peaceful neighbor and one that loved the Lord and eschewed evil. He has now been called from labor to refreshment in the house of those that have gone on and are waiting the redemption of this body.

He will be missed by all who knew him and will be missed in the neighborhood, in the church and in the home.

Years ago he was married to Lina Caudill and they lived a happy devoted life together. God called her home about four years ago. He had lived a lonely life since her passing but we feel that they are now together in the land of the living and are enjoying the fruits of their labors.

He leaves to mourn his passing, one son, David D. Hampton of Jeremiah; four daughters: Mrs. Carrie Eldridge, Mrs. Hassie Brown, Mrs. Gypsy Rowe, and Mrs. Maxie Campbell, 15 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, and one brother, Edley Hampton, besides a host of friends and relatives.

So sleep on, Brother John, and we feel that we will see you over there where there will be no more sorrow, no more heartaches, no more sickness, but all is peace and happiness forever & forever.

Written by Roy Collins

I wonder if and when the shadows fall
On the last short and earthly day
When we say goodbye to the world outside
All tired with our childish play
When we meet the lover of boys and girls
Who died to save them from sin
Will we hear him ask as Mother did
Are all the children in?

CORSIE TOLLIVER AMBURGEY



Corsie Tolliver Amburgey was born May 1, 1912 to grace the home of D.H. and Mary Polly Tolliver at Pine Top, Knott County, Ky. Here she grew to womanhood a quiet and obedient child.

At the tender age of 18 she took by the right hand Ariel Amburgey and vowed before God that she would be to him a kind and obedient wife. This vow she kept to the letter, until separated by death.

To this union were born 6 children, 1 boy and 5 girls. The boy, Donald and one girl, Judy preceded her in death; Donald on May 4, 1969 and Judy Sept. 16, 1971. Brother Arvil and Sister Corsie raised a nice and respectable family in the fear and admonition of God.

Although she never had her name on a church record your unworthy feels her name was inscribed on God's Eternal Book for by their fruits ye shall know them. For quite a long time Corsie bore the fruits of a consecrated Christian Mother.

Sister Corsie was in poor health for quite sometimes and her suffering she bore with much patience everly holding fast to the trust she had in God.

So on Friday May 6, 1972, Jesus called for Sister Corsie and as the shadows of another day descended upon the earth, she wrapped her robe about her and quietly and peacefully slipped away to the arms of Jesus, leaving to mourn her passing a broken-hearted companion, 4 bereaved daughters: Armina Ritchie, Ritchie, Ky., Evelyn Taylor, Pine Top, Ky., Phyllis Thornsberry, Kite, Ky., and Jenny Edwards, Fort Knox, Ky., 2 sisters: Gearldine Slone, Pine Top, Ky., and Alice Allen, Louisville, Ky., 17 grandchildren, the oldest 16 years old, along with many relatives and friends.

The many, many neighbors who have been most kind

and helpful and a host of Brothers and Sisters of the church.

So I cannot say and I will not say that she is dead, She is just away. With a cherry smile and a wave of her hand, she wondered into an unknown land. And left us dreaming how very fair it must be since she lingers there.

To think of her faring as dear, to the love of there, as the love of here
Think of her still as I say,
She is not dead, she is just away.

Humbly prepared by an unworthy Brother-In-Hope,
Lewis F. Craft

ERNEST MILLER



With a very sad and aching heart, I will try by the help of God to write a short sketch of our brother, Ernest Miller, born into the family of Harvey and Sally Fields Miller, May 7, 1902 and departed this life Oct. 13, 1971. making her stay on earth 69 years 5 months and 6 days. He grew up in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky.

Early in life he met and married Hattie Cornett Miller and to this union were born 7 boys and 4 girls: Victor, Lawrence, Wallace, Ottis, Jim, all of Columbus, Ind., Billy Ray who is serving in the United States Service, and Eddie Dean who preceded him in death. The girls are: Maleda Jean, Juanita, Earnestine, and Sharon also of Columbus.

He leaves to mourn his passing besides them 2 brothers, Venon, Lexington, Ind., Dixon, Letcher County, Ky., and 1 half-brother, Harvey Isom, Blackey, Ky., 3 sisters: Lora Cornett, Linefork, Ky., Mary Fields, Gordon, Ky., Pearl Eads. Scottsburg, Ind., Eleven grandchildren, and a host of friends. He was loved by all who knew him.

On Monday, the 4th day of Oct., he was struck very ill and was taken to the hospital. After standing

by his bedside and watching him suffer for 10 long days and nights, he spoke to God and said, 'Come and get me.' About the hour of 4:30, Wednesday evening, we believe that God opened a window of Heaven and reached down and took him by the hand and took him Home with Him where he will have to suffer no more.

Written by a sad and unworthy brother,
Venon Miller

PHEBY JANE ISON



Pheby Jane Ison was the daughter of Dixon and Nancy Caudill. She was born Nov. 22, 1892. She passed from this life March 7, 1972, making her stay on earth 79 years, 3 months, and 14 days.

In young life she met and married Harve Ison. To this union were born 9 children. Two of them have passed on and are waiting for Mother. The other 7 are all grown and married. She has kept several of her grandchildren whom

she loved so much.

Now to all of you while you are heart-broken, and Uncle Harve too, don't say goodbye Mama, just pray, Oh, God, help me to meet her again. I believe with all my heart the day before she passed away, while her daughter Ellis and I were standing beside her bed, she saw the angels coming after her. She told us to stand back and let her go, the big white horses were coming after her. She could hear pretty music. She leaves the following children: Aron, Ottis, Ivol, Haywood, Ison. 3 daughters: Mrs. Ellis Howard, Mrs. Alice Caudill, and Mrs. Recca Hollman, and her dear companion, Uncle Harve Ison; 1 brother, Charlie Caudill, 1 sister, Sarah Elizabeth Raleigh; 37 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren besides her many friends and loved ones.

She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church many years ago at Bull Creek, then came into the Kingdom Come Church with her letter which she felt like was

her home. That is where she is buried now.

She had been crippled about 10 years or longer but she won't have to hop around on her cane any more. Oh, how I miss her, She came into the church house door, I would go and meet her and help her upon the stand. Just one year ago we gave up her sister, Aunt Rebecca Brown. It liked 8 days being gone one year. Our seats are getting empty fast. The church has lost two good sisters, the children a good mother, Uncle Harve a good wife and many of us a good aunt.

Written by a neice who really loved her. Sleep on Aunt Pheby, I hope to meet you bye and bye.

Nancy Ann Caudill

LESLIE CAUDILL



By request of the family, I will try to write an obituary of Bro. Leslie Caudill. He was born May 21, 1902, being 70 years and 28 days of age at the time of his passing.

Several years ago he felt the need of the Saviour, turned to the Lord for mercy, and God heard his cries. Then a few years later he joined the Doty Creek Church. Then in a few years he came to the Dixon Memorial Church. He was a faithful member as long as he was able to go. So many times I have seen him in the closing of the service; he would go through the crowd shaking hands and taking everybody in his arms. I remember one meeting just before he died. He was hardly able to go. In the closing of the service, he told the church he felt it was the last he would be with us, but he felt like he had a better home up in Heaven and he wanted everybody to meet him up there. Brother Leslie was always so close to me and I miss him so badly. May God bless his little family he has left behind, and little Edith. So many times he would ask me to pray for her. Edith, you have waited on your Daddy, days and

through the hours of night. I know you loved him so much, but the Lord loved him more. He came and took him out of his suffering, so if you meet Daddy again, you will have to pray to the same God. He has left behind his wife, Dora Caudill, 1 daughter, Edith Caudill, 1 son Jack Caudill, and 2 step-daughters, Ruby Smith and Wilma Cornett, and 2 brothers, Bethel Banks and Aaron Fields, 2 sisters, Ida Whitaker and Lula Ratliff and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Written by, Elder Carl Back

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in the one true and living God, and not withstanding there are Three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, yet there is but one in substance, equal in power and glory, not to be divided and impossible to change in principal and practice.

2. We believe the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the true written words of God and were given by inspiration of God and there is a sufficiency in them contained for our instruction and they are the only rule of our faith and practice.

3. We believe the doctrine of original sin and that men sinned since the fall and are by nature the children of wrath.

4. We believe in the impotency or inability of man to recover themselves out of the state they are in; therefore, a Saviour is absolutely needed.

5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe in the prevenience of the Saints. That by grace through faith they are born again and adopted into the family of Heaven; that they become equal heirs with Jesus Christ in glory, and that He will raise them up at the last day.

7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel Ordinances; that true believers are the proper subjects and we admit no other.

8. We believe that the true mode of baptism is by immersion to baptize a person by their own consent, back foremost in water in the name of the

Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

9. We believe that washing of one another's feet is a commandment of Christ, left on records with His Disciples, and ought to be practiced by his followers.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment when all will be judged according to their deeds done in the body.

11. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal after death.

12. We believe that no one has the right to administer the Gospel Ordinances but such as are legally and qualified there unto.

13. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to attend church meetings, and that it is the duty of the church to deal with them for neglecting same.

14. We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute to the support of the church by defraying all reasonable expenses of same, never neglecting the poor, according to their several abilities.

15. We believe that any doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge the people in their sins or to cause them to settle down on anything short of saving grace in Christ for salvation is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.

16. None of the above articles shall be construed as to hold with particular election of reprobation as to make God partial directly or indirectly so as to injure children of men.

17. None of the above articles shall be altered without legal notice and free consent.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The association shall open and close with prayer.

2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one member shall speak at a time, and shall rise from his seat and address the moderator, when he is about to speak.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the moderator

until he is done.

5. He shall strictly adhere to his subject and in nowise reflect on the preceding speaker, but shall define his ideas on the proposition for debate, so far as he can.

6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the association without leave of the same.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any subject without permission from the association.

8. No member of the association shall have the liberty to laugh during the sitting of the same, nor to whisper in time of public speech.

9. No member shall address another in any other form or term than that of 'Brother.'

10. The moderator shall not interrupt a brother or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his views on the subject unless he shall violate the Rules Of Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the association shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called as often as the association may require.

12. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privileges of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but he shall have no vote unless the association be equally divided, in which event he shall give the deciding vote.

13. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the association as it may think proper.

CONSTITUTION

Having by unanimous voice changed our organization from an annual meeting to an association, we therefore propose to keep order and rules of an association according to the following form of government.

1. The association shall be called the Indian Bottom Association.

2. The association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying to their appointment,

these shall be entitled to a seat.

3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restoration, application, dismissed, excluded and deceased since our last association.

4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical powers over the churches nor shall they infringe on any of the rights of any of the churches in the union.

5. The association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

6. The association shall have a moderator and assistant moderator, clerk and assistant clerk, and treasurer, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

7. New churches may be admitted to this union, which shall petition by letter and delegates, and if found, upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the association, and manifested by the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the association.

9. Every query presented by the churches to the association, being first debated in their own church, shall come under the consideration of the association.

10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the association, except it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an association fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For the raising of which we think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums voluntarily as they think proper, and send it by their delegates, to be deposited with treasurer, who shall be responsible to the association for any pay the same out as the association may direct.

12. There shall be an association book kept in which the proceedings of every association shall be regularly recorded by the secretary, who shall receive annual compensation for same.

13. The minutes of the association shall be read

and corrected if need be, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the association rises.

14. Amendments to this plan of government may be made by a majority of the union when in regular session, when so desired.

15. The association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the association, the best method of effecting the same shall be determined by the association.

16. All matters coming before the association shall be decided by will of the majority of the members present.

17. The association shall have power to decide for the general union of the churches and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion among same, giving churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty; inquiring into the cause why any church shall have failed to represent itself any time in the association; appropriate the money received to any purpose it may think proper; appoint any member or members by their consent to transact any business which it may think necessary; withdraw from any church in the union which may violate any of the rules of the association or deviate from the orthodox principals of religion, admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the association and adjourn to any time or place it may deem necessary.

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TOLSON-George Whitaker, Roxana, Kentucky
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NEW HOME-Kirby Ison, Olus Baldrige, Parker Maggard
POWELL-John Kelly, Dewey Fields
DEFEATED CREEK-Coy Fields, Jim Ingram
BULL CREEK-Gardner Jent, Okley Fugate, John F. Jent
REYNOLDS FORK-J. Nelson Seals, Leroy Hanes, Lewis Craft
IVY POINT-Birtchel Mosley, Lee Mosley, Isom Stallard
LITTLE ZION-Clark Hays, Uria Godsey, Ross S. Hill
LITTLE DOVE-Merl Smith, John Preese, Ralph Asher
KINGDOM COME-Arlie Caudill, Dewey Eldridge, Parrot
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TOLSON CREEK-George Whitaker, Watson Whitaker
MAPLE GROVE-Chalmer Engle
OVEN FORK-Alvero Hubbard, Melvin Blair, Delmer
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DIXON MEMORIAL-Lloyd Eldridge, Carl Back, Henry
Eldridge
BIG CREEK-Venon Miller, Dixon Miller
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Everett Everage
CLEAR FORK-Wilson Combs, Jay Lucas, Lewis Lucas
NEW BETHLEHEM-Sila Williams, Odis Ritchie, George
Fugate
NORTHERN NEW HOME-Cleon Combs, Ermil Isom, Austin
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POOR FORK-Manous M. Ison, Albert Hill

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES

	Rec. by Exp. -Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored	Recommendation	Lost by Death	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Total Membership	Meeting time	Contribution
BIG LEATHERWOOD..	6	1	0	0	1	0	0	77	2	\$25.00
CEDAR GROVE.....	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	78	4	\$50.00
NEW HOME.....	4	0	1	0	5	0	0	72	2	\$30.00
POWELL.....	0	5	0	0	0	3	1	24	3	\$20.00
DEFEATED CREEK...	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	17	1	\$15.00
BULL CREEK.....	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	17	3	\$20.00
REYNOLDS FORK....	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	54	3	\$30.00
IVY POINT.....	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	35	4	\$10.00
LITTLE ZION.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	27	3	\$20.00
LITTLE DOVE.....	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	2	\$50.00
KINGDOM COME....	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	45	2	\$25.00
TOLSON CREEK....	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	23	4	\$10.00
MAPLE GROVE.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	3	\$10.00
OVEN FORK.....	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	62	2	\$20.00
DIXON MEMORIAL...	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	4	\$20.00
BIG CREEK.....	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	26	4	\$30.00
HAPPY HOME.....	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	48	1	\$20.00
CLEAR FORK.....	1	0	0	2	0	2	2	27	1	\$20.00
NEW BETHLEHEM...	0	0	0	3	2	2	0	21	4	\$10.00
NORTHERN NEW HOME	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	18	1	\$25.00
POOR FORK.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	31	3	\$15.00
Totals	36	11	5	5	21	11	7	799		\$475.00

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

We, the church of Jesus Christ of Regular Baptist Faith and order, now in session with the Church, being found in love and fellowship, sendeth greetings, our Christian love and salutation to the ministers and messengers that may compose the Association, when convened with the Church, Address to commence on Friday before the Saturday in September, and the two following days.

Dear Brethren, we are glad that we can correspond with you, and we have chosen these, our beloved Brethren, to bear this our letter to you, to wit:

- 1. 4.
- 2. 5.
- 3. 6.

Dear Brethren, receive our letter and these brethren to sit with you in all your advisory council. May the Lord bless you in all your work. We are at peace among ourselves.

The state of our church is as follows: Ordained Ministers

NAMES: Post Offices:

Received: Experience and Baptism ; Letter ; Restored ; Recommendation ; Dismissed by Letter ; Died ; Excluded ; Membership ; Money sent Meeting time Saturday and Sunday of each month

Dear Brethren, pray for us, that Zion may have traveling spirit among us.

Done and signed by order of the Church.

Elder , Moderator
Brother , Clerk
Clerk's Address