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OF THE
EIGHTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE

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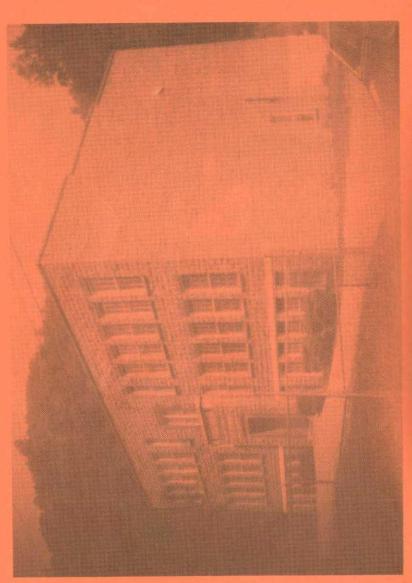
OF OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH
OF JESUS CHRIST



Held At The
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION BUILDING
Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky
September 5, 6, and 7, 1980

Happy Home, Rose of Sharon, and bull Creek Churches

Elder Elwood Cornett, Moderator Elder Carl Back, Assistant Moderator Brother Glenn Hampton, Clerk Elder Jim Fields, Assistant Clerk Brother Morris Shepherd, Assistant Clerk



Indian Bottom Association Building

Our next Association will be held in our permanent building at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, just off Ky. 15.

DIRECTIONS TO THE INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

- From Hazard, Kentucky, go east on Ky. 15 to Sassafras (12 miles) then follow signs up Yellow Creek about 1/2 mile to Association.
- From Hindman, Kentucky, leave Ky. 80 on Ky. 160 south about 10 miles to Ky. 15, turn right follow 15 about 4 miles to Sassafras, follow signs as in No. 1.
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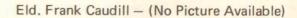
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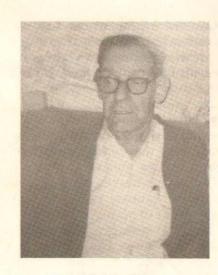
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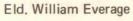


Eld. Olus Baldridge - Clerk

Eld. Kirby Ison - Asst. Clerk









Eld. Gardner Jent

In memory of: Elders Kirby Ison, Frank Caudill, Olus Baldridge, Gardner Jent and William Everage

The Delegates of the 85th session of our Association resolved to memorialize the above named departed ministers of our Association.

My buried friends can I forget, or must the grave eternal sever? They linger in my memory yet and in my heart they live forever.

I fain would weep—but what of tears?
No fears of mine could ever recall them;
Nor would I wish that grov'ling cares,
No care like mine shall ever befall them.

Since our 84th session, death has claimed 5 soldiers of the cross who fought a good fight, who finished their course and who kept the faith. Their battle has ended, victory has been obtained.

The Savior heard their humble cry and While on others he was calling, He did not pass them by.

We now mourn our loss. We have lost officers of our Association. We have lost great Ambassadors to our sister Associations and our loss is great. We have lost wise counselors and devoted, dedicated men of God who preached in many of these United States and we miss them.

May God bless their widows their children and loved ones.

May God bless our Association and all the Christian Family to which these Preachers ministered. May the fruit of their labor continue to ripen for years to come.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1980, AND THE TWO FOLLOWING DAYS

The Indian Bottom Association, being in session, assembled at our Association House at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, on September 5, 1980, and the two following days. The association, being hosted by the Happy Home, Bull Creek, and Rose of Sharon Churches, met in the congregational department of the Association House for preaching services. The Congregation sang some of Zion's songs and Elder Clyde Shepherd introduced the services and led in prayer.

After prayer and giving of thanks had been completed, Elder Fess Blair, who was chosen by the delegates of the 1979 session, preached the sermon of introduction for the 1980 session.

The Delegates to the eighty-fifth session then assembled in the Delegate room where Elder Elwood Cornett, our Moderator, welcomed the Delegates, made some good remarks, and called on Elder Clifford Colley, Moderator of The Philadelphia Association, to introduce the business session and Elder Edwin May, Moderator of The Sardis Association, to lead in prayer.

The association now assembled was called to order by Elder Elwood Cornett, Moderator, who called for the letters of our several churches that compose the Indian Bottom Association.

A motion was made, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to read the letter of the Happy Home Church.

- 2. After reading the letter of the Happy Home Church, there was a motion to receive the letter and all the other church letters as they were in regular form, seat the delegates, and refer all queries and requests to the Committee on Arrangements. This motion was seconded and duly carried with no objection.
 - 3. The Association was then organized by choosing the

following officers:

Elder Elwood Cornett — Moderator Elder Carl Back — Assistant Moderator Brother Glenn Hampton — Clerk Elder Jim Fields — Assistant Clerk Brother Morris Shepherd — Assistant Clerk

The Moderator called for newly constituted churches.

None responded.

- 4. Churches of our same faith and order who desired fellowship were called for by our Moderator. The Poor Fork Church responded with a letter and Delegates. It was moved, seconded, and duly carried to receive their letter, seat their delegates, and refer their letter to the Committee on Arrangements.
- 5. A motion was made, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to omit the reading of the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum, and the Constitution, but they were to be printed in the minutes.
- 6. The Moderator called for corresponding Associations of our same faith and order. The Following responded with letters and Delegates:
 - A. NEW SALEM—Edd Moore, A. O. McKnight, Bill Day, Lonzo Watts, Hatler Kiser, Banner Manns, Grover Adkins, Alonzo Allen, Jethro Hampton, Millis Robert, Jimmy Hall, Jink Ray, Sam Justice, Hobart Bates, Hager Watts, Don Fields, Lonnie West, Harold Tackett, Don Parker, Cobert Bates, Dexter Dixon.

It was moved, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to receive their letter, seat their delegates, and give them the right hand of fellowship.

B. UNION—Jesse L. Williamson, John M. Mullins, Webster Bartley, Hayse Duty, Fon Bowling, Ival Coleman, Dallas Ramsey, W. F. Hubbard, Garland Mullins, Dewey Sexton, Carson Wright, Canton Martin, Oscar Cheatham, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Herman West, Swan Boggs, Eugene Countiss, Harless Potter, Ernest Perigan, Embra Bartley, Lonnie Mounts, Powers Caudill, Andy Bates, Bobby Fields, Alfred Adams, John C. Layne, Charlie Johnson, Paul McClanahan, Austin McClanahan, Frank Newsome, Huffard Coleman, John Huffman, Jr., Virgil Huffman, John B. Hamilton,

Sam Erwin, Rans Clevenger, Rex Standifer, Earl Cantrell, Charles Wright, Fred Overstreet, Jack Clevenger, Orbin May, Paul Coleman, Corbin Spears, Dorse Adkins, Victor Coleman.

It was moved, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to receive their letter, seat their delegates, and give them the right hand of fellowship.

C. SARDIS—Clifford Maynard, Kelly Castle, Bobby Scott, James Gannon, Edwin May, Wayne Herald, Billy Brumfield, Thomas J. Dials, Steve Robinson, Jr., Johnny Cline, Mark Cline, David Baisden, and Isom Hannah.

It was moved, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to receive their letter, seat their delegates, give them the right hand of fellowship, and refer their request to the Committee on Arrangements. The request was as follows:

Dear Brethren:

We, the Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist, having met in regular session with the Mt. Pleasant Church, Sidney, Pike County, Kentucky, on this the 8th day of September, 1979, sendeth greetings to our beloved and esteemed Sister, the Indian Bottom Association of Old Regular Baptist, when in session with the Happy Home Church at the permanent Association Building, Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1980. To all Brethren seated here today, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Having debated the issue at our said association, upon the request from two of our churches, it was agreed by regular move and second and without objection to send the following request to you.

We humbly and respectfully request that you, The Indian Bottom Association, halt the practice of using double (or multiple) married brethren in any function of ministry. This practice severely strains the fabric of our correspondence and continuation of the same, without rectification, jeopardizes the sustaining of our said correspondence which we do not want to terminate.

We hope and pray that you will receive our request, act upon it, and provide our delegation with a reply to it.

Done and signed by Order of the Sardis Association.

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

D. PHILADELPHIA—Rollens Hollen, Calvin Adkins, Clifford Colley, Walter Morrison, Chester Allen, Howard Adkins, Rush Stanley, James Walker, Harlan Barney, Paul Boggs, Lowell Adkins, Burgess Dials, Jack Adkins, Dick Reed, Dave Gilliam, Craighton Elkins.

It was moved, seconded, and duly carried with no objection to receive their letter, seat their Delegates, give them the right hand of fellowship, and refer their request to the Committee on Arrangements. The request was as follows:

We, the Philadelphia Association, received four requests from four of our churches, Friendship Church, Bethany Church, Mt. Olivet Church, and New Mt. Olive Church asking the Philadelphia Association to send a request to our sister, The Indian Bottom Association, asking them not to use double married brethren in the ministry.

After a very lengthy discussion on this subject among the brethren, the Philadelphia Association brethren—Brother W.C. Elkins made a move and it was seconded by Elder Rollen Hollen that a request be sent by our delegates to our sister, the Indian Bottom Association, asking the Indian Bottom Association to halt the practice of using double (or multiple) married brethren in any function of the ministry.

Done and signed by order of the Philadelphia Association.

Elder Clifford Colley — Moderator Brother David Gilliam — Clerk

E. NORTHERN NEW SALEM—Samuel Lewis, Bill Ison, Hezekiah Osborn, Gordon Reynolds, Ellis Amburgey, Everett Everage, Jimmy Darrell Parks, Clarence E. Jenkins, Lawrence Day, Baxter Osborne, Astor Eldridge, Stoney Blackburn, Wayne Turner, Burl Stevens, Hillard Proffitt, Flethcer Gibson, Burchell Short, Jesse Bryant, Ewell Ratliff.

It was moved, seconded, and duly carried to receive their letter, seat their delegates, and give them the right hand of fellowship.

The foregoing Corresponding Associations were all represented by letter and delegates with a file of minutes.

- 7. The Moderator called for transient members and ministers. Elder Manus Ison responded.
- 8. By move and second with no objection the Moderator was directed to make all temporary appointments.
- 9. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Ministry composed of one delegate from each church, with the entire delegation from the Happy Home Church to arrange for preaching services for Friday evening and Saturday morning.
- 10. The Moderator appointed a committee on Arrangements to be the same as the Committee on Ministry with the exception that the Happy Home Church should have only one delegate together with the Association Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerks, transients, and the entire delegation from the Corresponding Associations to meet Friday at 3:00 p.m. to arrange the business of the Association for Saturday.
- 11. By move and second with no objection it was agreed to correspond with the following associations: New Salem, Union, and Northern New Salem Associations. The Clerk was directed to prepare letters to same.
- 12. The Committee on Ministry made the following report for preaching services:

For Friday Evening:

Elder Jimmy Hall - New Salem Association

Elder Frank Newsome - Union Association

For Saturday Morning:

Elder Stony Blackburn - Northern New Salem Association

Elder Grover Adkins - New Salem Association

Elder Edwin May – Sardis Association

Elder John Layne - Union Association

13. By move and second the Association adjourned until 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

The Committee on Arrangements met at 3:00 p.m. Friday afternoon in the Congregational department of the Association Building. The session was introduced by Elder Frank Newsome

and prayer by Elder Paul McClanahan, after which the committee arranged the work for Saturday.

Saturday Morning, September 6, 1980

The Association met persuant to adjournment. After singing some of Zion's old songs to the glory of God, our Moderator selected Elder Baxter Osborne from the Northern New Salem Association to introduce and Elder Fon Bowling from the Union Association to lead in prayer.

The association proceeded as follows:

The Clerk called the roll.

2. The report of the Committee on Arrangements was made and approved by a move and second with no objection and the Committee was discharged.

Ministers chosen to preach on the stand were excused by the Moderator together with all others who were not

delegates.

The Moderator appointed a Committee on Finance, to wit: Curt Blevins, Merle Smith, and Lewis Lucas, who submitted the sum of \$1635.00 from the churches and the sum of \$170.00 for pictures. By a motion and second the work was received and approved without objection.

By a move and second with no objection, Minutes of this Association were directed to be printed; the clerk be Secretary/Treasurer; that he superintend the printing of same; he be allowed the sum of \$50.00 for his services; and that we have 3000 minutes printed.

Appointed the same Committee on Ministry as on Friday

to arrange preaching services for Sunday.

For Sunday Morning:

Elder Jim Fields - Indian Bottom Association Elder Coy Combs - New Salem Association Elder Baxter Osborne - Northern New Salem Association Elder Elwood Cornett - Indian Bottom Association

The Circular letter was prepared and read by Elder Bill Halcomb. By move and second with no objection the same was approved and ordered to be printed in our minutes. The Committee on Ministry chose Brother E. Robert Miller to write a circular letter for the Association's consideration next year.

8. The preaching brethren were called on to make their reports on attending Union Meetings and corresponding associations for the year. All very humbly reported that they did the best they could and requested to be excused for their failures and shortcomings. By a move and second with no objection the brethren were excused for their shortcomings.

By a move and second Union, Communion, and Memorial

services shall be printed in our minutes.

By move and second with no objection it was agreed to have obituaries printed in our minutes, together with pictures, with a fee of \$10.00 included for the printing of pictures.

11. Treasurer's Report

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Balance on hand September, 1979	\$	856.64
Received from Churches		1480.00
Received for Printing Pictures	Lu _	165.00
Total in Treasury	\$	2501.64
Paid out for Printing Minutes		1250.00
Clerk's Fee		50.00
Postage		4.73
Total Paid Out (1979-1980)	\$	1304.73
Balance in Treasury	\$	1196.91

By a move and second with no objection the treasury report was received.

- Requests from the Sardis and Philadelphia Associations: Refer to "item 6" of Friday's minutes, letters containing requests from Sardis and Philadelphia Associations. It was moved, seconded, and duly passed without opposition to give the requests back to our dear Sisters.
- Lettering to the Sardis Association and the Philadelphia Association: It was moved, seconded, and duly passed without opposition to temporarily not letter to our dear sisters-The Sardis and Philadelphia Associations-as we don't want to cause them or us further problems.
- Letters prepared to our corresponding associations as 14. follows:

New Salem-To begin on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1980, at Minnie, Floyd County, Kentucky, at their Association Building. Delegates to attend: Elders-Clark Hayes, Ivan Amburgey, Manus Ison, Nelson Seals, Charlie Gibson, Elwood Cornett, Jim Fields, Green Fields, Brothers-Lester Short, Henry Eldridge, Willie Eldridge, Merle Smith, Lee Mosley, Chester Gibson, McKinley McIntosh, Harry Moore, John Preece, Birchell Mosley.

Union—To begin on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1980, at the Frozen Creek Church, Raccoon, Pike County, Kentucky. Delegates to attend: Elders—Toby Breeding, Jim Fields, Green Fields, Charlie Gibson, Clark Hayes, Manus Ison, Ivan Amburgey, Nelson Seals, Elwood Cornett. Brothers—Lester Short, Willie Eldridge, Jerry Caudill, Merle Smith, Chester Gibson, McKinley McIntosh.

Northern New Salem—To begin on Friday before the first Saturday in August, 1981, at Pleasant View Church at Litchfield, Ohio. Delegates to attend: Elders—Elwood Cornett, Nelson Seals, Ivan Amburgey, Bill Halcomb, Clark Hayes, Jim Fields, Brothers—Lester Short, Willie Eldridge, Merle Smith, Squire Watts, Jerry Caudill, Glenn Hampton.

- 15. The committee on Ministry chose Elder Elwood Cornett to preach the introductory sermon for the 1981 session of this Association, and that Elder Toby Breeding be his alternate.
- 16. The Association called on the Committee on Council to make a report of the Council's Activities for the year of 1979-1980. The Council Committee reported that an investigation of the Poor Fork Church at Cumberland, Kentucky had been made. The Committee reported that they had made a move and second to recommend to the Indian Bottom Association that the Association receive the Poor Fork Church back into our Association.

It was also reported that the Council Committee had met and discussed the letter the Thornton Union Association submitted to the Indian Bottom Association in 1979. (refer to item 6F in 1979 minute book) The Council Committee had suggested that the Thornton Union Association also approach the Corresponding Associations. The Committee on Council would work in Conjunction with our sister associations regarding their request for correspondence. The Council Committee report was received by a move and second without objection.

17. Poor Fork Church letter of request for fellowship: The Poor Fork Church having satisfied the brothers, it was moved, seconded, and duly passed, without objection to receive the church back into the Indian Bottom Association and give their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

- 18. The Moderator of the Association by the authority vested in him to make all temporary appointments appointed the following: Elders—Manus Ison, Jim Fields, Lewis Lucas, and Brothers—Coburn Ison, Atlas Frazier, Donnie Jent and Parrot Roarks, on the Committee on Council. Elder Manus Ison was to be chairman.
- By a move and second without objection the Mt. Olivet Church is to host our 1981 session of the Association.
- 20. Brother Glenn Hampton, treasurer of the Board of Trustees, filed his report, which was approved by a move and second and no objection.
- 21. There was a move and second without objection to write a resolution of thanks to the host churches and sister churches for their untiring efforts in hosting the eighty-fifth session of our Association.
- 22. The minutes were read by the clerk and were approved by a move and second with no objection.
- 23. There being no further business to come before this session of the Association, a move and second were made without objection to adjourn until our next association convenes at the Association Building, Sassafras, Knott County, Ketucky, beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1981, and the two following days.

After Elder Ealis Cotton made some humble remarks, well ordered and to the point, we sang a hymn and he ended in a closing prayer.

Done and signed by order of the Indian Bottom Association:

Elder Elwood Cornett—Moderator Elder Carl Back—Assistant Moderator Brother Glenn Hampton—Clerk Brother Jim Fields—Assistant Clerk Brother Morris Shepherd—Asst. Clerk

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We, the officers, delegates, and many friends of the Indian Bottom Association humbly and gratefully express our appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the Bull Creek, Rose of Sharon, and Happy Home Churches, as well as all of our sister churches, for their untiring efforts in hosting this our eighty-fifth session of our beloved association. For the delicious food, the hours

of hard work, and the friendly service, "We thank you!" May God continue to bless you for a job well done.

THE INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

Beloved, let us join you in grieving the loss of two of your great servants, Elder Kirby Ison and Elder Critt Eldridge, who gave so much for the cause of Christ and left so many sweet memories to cherish. Let us look far beyond this life when we shall meet in a land of beauty where we feel these two have gone.

Northern New Salem Association Elder Paris C. Tackett Elder Hillard Newsome Elder Ray Hamilton

Sunday, September 7, 1980

As the sun began to make it's westward journey across the sky, and as all life began to welcome the dawning of a new day, a large crowd began to assemble in the congregational room of our Association Building. Many voices were raised in singing praises to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. After many beautiful hymns had been sung, Elder Jim Fields came forth and humbly but joyfully introduced the service. He was followed by Elder Coy Combs who was wonderfully blessed in expounding the mysteries of God. Then Elder Baxter Osborne came to the stand and preached from the Book of Revelations 21st Chapter. He was well blessed and many shouts of victory were heard from the congregation. Brother Osborne was followed in the pulpit by Elder Elwood Cornett, our beloved moderator. As he sang "The Ninety and Nine" much rejoicing was heard. After a short message he called for a song. As the congregation song "Amazing Grace" there was much rejoicing and much love manifested. Thus the eighty-fifth annual session of our beloved association came to an end.

> Humbly submitted, Brother Glenn Hampton — Clerk

CIRCULAR LETTER TO THE INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION

Having been chosen by this grand old Association at our last session to write the Circular Letter. It is with a prayerful heart and desire within my soul to undertake this task.

Dearly beloved brethern of the eighty-fifth annual session of the Indian Bottom Association and delegates from our sister associations. I stand in your presence and Almighty God, desiring that this session will long be remembered as the one we put our shortcomings, failures and self out of the way and let self-same spirit that guided John the Baptist of old, guide us. Let us put away childish things and think and act like grown men.

God's written Word tells us to come together for better and not for worse, in other words, we should strive to improve. To our mistakes in the past let us not return, but learn from them how to overcome those of today and tomorrow.

My precious brothers and co-workers in the Lord, let me admonish you with all love, that the time is now at hand that we were preaching the Word, the true written Word of God and not adding to it or taking away, winning sinners to Christ by our love and kindness, telling them there is no easy way and no short cuts that lead to the Pearly Gates. The path is straight and narrow, no room for mistakes, and few be found walking there on. The path that leads to destruction is wide and crooked and many will be found traveling there on.

Let us preach and teach our generation just like the disciples of old, not to be afraid to tell the mighty as well as the weak that God will not change his way. They must change theirs, praying for mercy until God hears their cry and delivers their soul.

Brethern, as I'm being blessed to write, just now a very important thought came to mind. I would pray to Almighty God that every young Christian that God has called to work for Him in the vineyard, would remember when inviting people to come and visit your church; please go all out and invite sinners. We seem to do all the inviting to Christians, which should not be necessary. They know to come. Always invite the young and show your love for and to them. Listen to what they have to say. To the soldiers, who have been in this race for

some time, let's take an inventory of our works and if we are not carrying our share of the load, lets get on the firing line for God and share in the responsibility of His Work so as not to let a few have to do eighty-five percent of it.

Fellow laborers in the Gospel, we must go out of our way to talk to people about God's Plan of Salvation, sowing seed

that will fall on good ground.

The young generation, as well some of the old, are looking for ways or something to turn to, to help them find peace and consolation of mind.

Brethern, lets admonish them with all love and long suffering that there never was and never will be an easy way to replace God's way, which is old and yet as new as this day.

Many strange religions are popping up in our land today. We use to hear of it somewhere else, now it is right among us. The Bible tells us to plainly have no part with them and don't follow after them. If the blind lead the blind, they both will fall in the ditch. If we follow God, we can't go wrong and every time we are persecuted and tried, He will make a way for us to escape.

On bringing this Circular Letter to a close, I admonish the delegates to this association and all those present on behalf of our sister associations, lets have open minds and reason one with another. We cannot judge a person by looking on the outside. Let's see his works and then only judge according to

this sayeth the Word of God.

It is my sincere prayer and desire that when we bring this great association to another close, we can say, surely this has been the most humble, peaceful, and togetherness assembling we have ever had.

May the God of Everlasting Peace, guide us all until we assemble again here or in those Heavenly Mansions.

Your Brother in Christ,

Elder Bill Halcomb

UNION, COMMUNION AND MEMORIAL MEETINGS

MARCH 1981

LITTLE ZION: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in March. Ministers called: Chester Gibson, Bill Halcomb,

APRIL 1981

ROSE OF SHARON: Second Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Virgil Combs, Elwood Cornett, Chester Gibson, Clark Hayes and Dwight Amburgey, Toby Breeding. Communion: Second Sunday in June. Memorial: Second Sunday in July.

BLAIR BRANCH: Union meeting third Saturday night and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, John Preece, Elwood Cornett, Clyde Shepherd, Agnan Back, and Moderator. Communion: Third Sunday in July. Memorial: Third Sunday in June.

NORTHERN NEW HOME: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: John Preece, Clay Wilson, Robert Haney, Larry Hankins, Ron Scott, Stoney Blackburn, Keith Slone, Alonzo Mosley, Dwight Amburgey, Frank O'Quinn. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in June.

MAY 1981

MT. OLIVET: Union Meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Frank Newsome, Jimmy Dye, Tilton Dye, Clyde Shepherd and Moderator. Communion: First Sunday in August. Memorial: First Sunday in July.

LITTLE DOVE: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ermel Ison, Fess Blair, Baxter Osborne, Dwight Amburgey, and Moderator. Communion: Second Sunday in July. Memorial:

REYNOLDS FORK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Kermit Newsome, Vernon Rose, Elwood Cornett, John Preece, Ivan Amburgey, Jim Fields, and our Moderator. Communion: Third Sunday in June. Memorial: Third Saturday and Sunday in July.

BULL CREEK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Clyde Shepherd, Clyde Jacobs, Bill Halcomb, Ermil Ison, Carl Back, Marcus Combs. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Sunday in July.

CEDAR GROVE: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, Jim Fields, Dallas Ramsey, Melvin Watts and Baxter Osborne. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in June.

JUNE 1981

KINGDOM COME: Union Meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Powers Caudill, Bill Hall, Andy Bates, Charlie Gibson, Bill Halcomb, and Bert Fields. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: First Sunday in May.

HAPPY HOME: Union Meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim D. Fields, Elwood Cornett, Ermil Ison, Dwight Amburgey, Carl Back, Melvin Watts, and Hezikah Osborne. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: First Saturday and Sunday in August.

CLEAR FORK: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Silas Williams, Estill Slone, A.O. Mc-Knight, and Chester Gibson. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: First Saturday and Sunday in October.

NEW HOME: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Carl Ray Tuttle, Elwood Cornett, Orbin Slone, John Preece, and Stoney Blackburn. Communion: Second Sunday in July. Memorial: Second Saturday and Sunday in October.

NEW BETHLEHEM: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Harry Moore, Manus Ison, Toby Breeding, Elwood Cornett, Dwight Amburgey, and Jim Fields. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Saturday and Sunday in September.

DIXON MEMORIAL: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Virgil Combs, Kirby Jent,

James D. Fields, I. D. Back, John Preece, Carl Back, and Ivan Amburgey. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Deceased members of the Church Fourth in September.

IVY POINT: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Lewis Craft, Clive Hall, Carl Ray Tuttle, Truman Jent, Bill Moore, Bill Tackett. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August.

TOLSON CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim D. Fields, Andy Bates, Burton Fields, Charles Gibson, Toby Breeding, Agnan Back and James Hall. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. All ministers of the Indian Bottom Association of the same faith and order that wishes to come are invited.

BIG CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: C. R. Tuttle, Ivan Amburgey, Charlie Gibson, Fess Blair, John Preece. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Clerk did not receive any information.

AUGUST 1981

DEFEATED CREEK: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Ivan Amburgey, Fess Blair, Truman Jent, I.D. Back, Toby Breeding, and Agnan Back. Communion: Second Sunday in August. Memorial: Second Saturday and Sunday in July.

HURRICANE GAP: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Green Fields, Jonah Roark, Fess Blair, Agnon Back and Bill Halcomb. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Sunday in October.

POOR FORK: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Fess Blair, John Preece, Jim Fields and Toby Breeding. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: None given to clerk.

Obituaries

MILLIE MULLINS



On April 9, 1894, God brought sunshine in the home of James and Rosanna Gibson in the form of a little babe and it grew up as a poor child according to nature, but this home had love, which means more than riches of this world.

In the year of 1916 she met and was married to Monroe Mullins and to this union was born nine children which two pro-

ceded her in death, Spencer and George. Her surviving children are five boys and two girls. The boys are Ray, Albert, Ollie James, Hiram Jr., and Oliver. The girls are Beatrice Cook, and Cleo Everage.

Early in life mother saw that she needed something that the riches of this world couldn't give her. She started seeking and calling upon the Lord, and thank God he heard her cries and came into her life and saved her never dying soul.

In the year of 1951, mother joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized. Mother's whole heart was in serving her Lord. She was so kind and loving to everybody.

While in the hospital Mother said to Beatrice, "Honey, Mammy has to leave you all, but I can't go until I get to see Oliver. Mammy wants you all to be good to one another.

Mammy's whole life was in her Church. She always loved to see somebody come and eat with her. She welcomed everybody with a smile. Our wish and prayer is that the Lord will guide and hear us as he did Mammy. We are thankful that we can walk in her footsteps so let us children be good to one another the way she wanted us to. Let's not look back, let's look forward and meet Mammy and Pappy, and not let the circle be broken.

Mammy's last words that she said to Ollie were "Tell everybody I love them and see that we have plenty to eat for the people. I want my brothers and sisters to know I can't write in words to tell them how much I love them. So let's

live a life that is pleasing with our precious Lord.

Besides Mother's seven children she is survived by 29 grandchildren and 37 great grandchildren. Mother's stay here on earth was 86 years, 4 months and 16 days. We know that we loved our mother so much, but God loved her much better. We know that mother cannot come back to us, but by the help of God we can go to her, and when we meet again we will never have to say goodby any more.

Written by her children

BURLEY HUDSON



With a sad and broken heart, we will try to write the obituary of my father and brother-in-law, Burley Hudson. He was born July 19, 1922 and deceased this life September 16, 1978, making his life here on earth 56 years 1 month and 28 days. Daddy was the son of I.V. and Melda Hudson. Early in life he met and married Hazel Ashley and to this union was born 2

children; 1 boy Larry Dean Hudson and 1 girl Judy Lynn Whitaker. He leaves his wife and children, 4 brothers, 3 sisters and 1 grandchild to mourn his loss.

While he was on his death bed he tried to clasp his hands together and said he was ready to go home. I believe with all my heart that daddy is resting around the throne of God, and someday we will meet him up there.

Written by his daughter, Judy Whitaker and Sister-in-law Frances Hudson

MARVIN MOORE



A treasure was added to Heaven to day when the death angel called Bro. Marvin away. The memories he has left will shine like gold. The story of his life has already been told.

But upon this day of parting while bells in heaven ring. In our hearts we are saying Thank you Lord for everything. Thanks because you gave him to us. He helped us share lifes heavy load.

Thanks for joys we've had together to the end of life's long road. Thanks because you said we'd know him when someday we'll meet up there. Where we'll sing your praise forever in those mansions bright and fair.

Marvin G. Moore was born June 20, 1935 in the home of Slick and Glo Stamper Moore in Knott County and here he spent most of his life.

In the early 1970's doctors found that Bro. Marvin had a brain tumor and in February 1974 he had brain surgery and from that day until death came he was in constant pain.

His family realized this and did everything they could to relieve his suffering.

During this period of great agony Bro. Marvin began to call upon The Savior for mercy and in 1975, God heard him and from heaven granted him a free and complete pardon. So in October 1975 he were baptized into the Reynolds Fork Church, being as sick as he was he wasn't permitted to attend each meeting but as often as he could was there and seemed to enjoy the service.

His health kept deteriating to the point that he had to be admitted to the hospital.

Sometime during his illness he wrote a prayer which his mother found and this is how he prayed.

Our father who are in Heaven, We worship thy name "Oh" Lord, Jesus Christ our Saviour. Oh Lordgive us the will to follow thee up the stairway to Heaven, into green pastures, where we can meet our God the father, where there will be no hate, sin, killing, wars nor sickness, but all will be peace and love.

The pray for our sins to be forgiven through our Lord, Jesus Christ." Amen.

On Saturday, October 6, 1979 he quietly slipped away we feel to the arms of Jesus.

Leaving to mourn his passing his parents Slick and Glo Stamper Moore, his wife Lena Mac, two sons Barry and Kerry Gene, 1 daughter Pamela Georgetta, one brother Denzie, 2 sisters Rachael and Joyce and 1 grandchild.

We miss him so very much since we were permitted to keep him for such a short while 44 years, 3 months and 16 days.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

Respectfully a brother in hope, Lewis F. Craft

MARK HANNA CREECH



Mark Hanna Creech was born September 12, 1900 and departed this life in the early morning hours of March 2, 1978. As the tiny snow flakes fell and the chilly winds continued to blow. Nothing seems to disturb his last peaceful moments while waiting for Gods call. Nothing could hinder the mighty hand of God as he smiled down and said its enough.

Survivors are his wife Louell Ison Creech. Four sons, Burley and Carl of Frankfort, Ky., George Donald of Skyline, Ky., William Darrell of Pontiac, Michigan. One Son Mark Edward preceded him in death. Also surviving are two daughters Doris Potter of Skyline, Ky. and Bonnie Browning of Leatherwood, Ky.

Mark Hanna was from a large family of seven sons and seven daughters of Joe Alec and Hannah Carnett Creech of Harlan, Ky. Surviving are one brother Henry B. Creech, Camp Arkansas and six sisters. Mary Carnett, Ethel Brown, Rema Johnson, Cumberland, Ky., Bulah Hall, Harm, Ky., Bessie Clem, Pretney, Ky. and Zala Morris, Morristown, Tennessee.

He also leaves 19 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. He was a retired postmaster of Skyline, Ky. and will be remembered for his faithful and careful workmanship. Any work he did he did it well and carefully trained his children in this manner.

He was a devoted husband and father and while we sadly mourn his great loss. We are thankful for so many precious memories. In poor health for several years, we remember his suffering never made him bitter or hopeless. He was able to smile through pain and tears. He was confined to a wheelchair both legs amputated for 3 years which he overcame victoriously with patience and tolerance and most of all acceptance without complaining. We also remember a beautiful singing voice accompanied by mome's equally talented voice singing the old songs of Zion a rich legacy indeed.

We especially remember one occasion only a few days before God called him. Eld. Kirby Ison called him late one night asking him to tune a song for him. His reply was that he would just sing it all and by the help of the Lord he did. He often stopped during the singing to praise the Lord. He was an honest outstanding citizen loved his fellowman and was loved by all who knew him. Above all he made his peace calling with the Lord and was a member of the Cedargrove Regular Baptist Church. We feel that his light will brighten our pathway as we remember. (Matthew 5-16).

By the help of God we all hope to be reunited in a band where death will be no more.

Burley Creech Frankfort, Kentucky

NORCIE MULLINS



It is with a sad heart I will try to write the obituary of my sister: Norcie Mullins, with the request of her daughter Mary Lou Vanover.

Norcie was born May 25, 1914, deceased September 4, 1979. She was 65 years, 3 months and 8 days old. She was the daughter of William and Flossie Amburgey, who have preceded her in death.

Norcie was married to Sam Mullins on November 24, 1934. To this union were born 2 children. Ernest Mullins and Mary Lou Vanover both of Amburgey, Kentucky, also 5 grand-children.

Norcie had 4 brothers and 5 sisters, 2 brothers, and 2 sisters also preceded her in death.

Norcie joined the "House of Prayer Church" of the old regular baptist, on June 3, 1973. She was a faithful member as long as she could get to Dayton. Later she took her letter to the "Little Dove Church" of the same faith and order at Sassafras, Kentucky for convenience. There she was a faithful member.

She loved that church and all the people. Many times she went to church and her not able to go. She had a bad heart, and smothered so bad. She kept telling us she wasn't going to live long. She would tell us she wanted to be with mom and dad in heaven.

Early one morning on the 4th of September the death angel slipped in from heaven and took her while she was asleep. Her husband woke and found her dead.

We feel with all our hearts Norcie is resting in peace around Gods throne, with her loved ones that has already gone on.

I feel that her husband and daughter is ready to meet her. So I want to say to her son: "Ernest, if you want to see mama again you must fall out of sin and get ready to meet her."

She leaves to mourn her loss: her husband, 2 children, 5 grandchildren, 2 brothers, 3 sisters, and a lot of friends.

I know her seat is empty at church, just as it is at home. Someone else can fill her seat at church, but no one can fill it at home. That is a vacant place that no one can fill. We believe our loss on earth is heavens gain. We hope to meet you some day sis so sleep on you are at rest where there is no more suffering or smothering, or no more hospitals. God has cured you of your sickness and heart aches.

Written by her sister, Melba Givens

Mother is gone but not forgotten, She went away and left us sad. All I have to keep me company, Is my family and my dad. There was a vacant place in heaven, God needed a flower to fill its place. He picked you Mother for the purpose, When he saw your pretty face.

Oh Mother, how we miss you, No one can ever take your place. Daddys heart is so broken, The lines are showing in his face.

We miss you Mother since you are gone, We can't go home and see you there. It is so lonely at the table, For there sets your vacant chair.

Mom I know that you are happy, On a hill you lay so cold. You are happy up in heaven, While you walk the streets of gold.

At the church you're not with me, Someone else has took your seat. I always think about you Mother, When I kneel to wash their feet.

Sleep on Mother God is with you, You never have to walk alone. God will keep his arms around you, Some day Mom I'm coming home.

> Written by her sister Melba Givens

HENRY HAMPTON



It's with a very heavy heart that I will try by the help of the good Lord to fulfill the request of the broken hearted family of Bro. Henry Hampton to write his obituary.

Henry Hampton was born January 21, 1909 and passed from this life June 21, 1980 making his stay here in this life 71 years and 5 months. Henry Hampton was the

son of Dave Hampton and Betty Whitaker Hampton, both deceased. Henry Hampton had three brothers to wit, Isom Hampton, Jeremiah, Kentucky, James Hampton, Red Fox, Kentucky and Willie Hampton, Deceased. Four sisters, to wit, Justine Branson and Marie Sturgill both of Pound, Virginia, Eva and Hattie Hampton, deceased.

Early in life Henry met and married Stella Jane Caudill, October 19, 1931, and to the union was born 10 children, to wit, Nella Mae Cottongin, West Carrollton, Ohio, Hershal Delana Hampton, deceased, Delma Faye Long, Wooster, Ohio, Wanda Jean Caudill, Chautauqua, Ohio, Wilma Deane Halcomb, Carlisle, Ohio, Brown L. Hampton, Morgantown, Kentucky, Virginia Belle Lane, Springboro, Ohio, Henry Thomas Hampton, Morgantown, Kentucky, Kathryn Louise Henderson, Franklin, Ohio, Leona Margarett Hampton, Springboro, Ohio, 21 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and many relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Many years ago "Hence" as we called him and knew him by felt that low still voice come a knocking at his heart's door and he began to take heed to that voice and to follow the Lord in all His ways and found this to be a sweet path to walk in.

Then after feeling and believing that the good Lord had answered his many cries for mercy and help he gave his hand to the Old Regular Baptist Church for membership in the Visible Kingdom that Christ came down in the low ground of sorrow and set up. Hence and Sis. Stella both gave their hands to the church this day and became a member of the Dixon Memorial Church the second Sunday of November 1949 and both have been faithful members till his passing.

Bro. Hence loved the Old Church and Old Songs of Zion so good, many times Bro. Hence has come to my home; Hendricks Hampton, "the Writer" just to sing the Old Time Hymns of Zion.

Children, daddy and mommy have left a bright light shining in the window for you children to follow, I pray to God that you will fall out with the things of the world and fall in with the affixed mercies of the good Lord, I wish I could just tell you children how good and how sweet it is to serve the Lord and to belong to Him.

Bro. Hence was a coal miner and a factory worker for many years. Then about three years ago the dreaded diesease of cancer began to work upon his body and slowly it brought Bro. Hence down until the good Lord said my child you have suffered enough so he sent his angels to bring his child home to everly be with the Lord. Now children and grandchildren daddy and grandpaw can't come back to you but by the help of the Good Lord you can go where Bro. Hence is to be with the Lord forever and forever. God Bless you all.

Written by a heavy hearted Brother-in-Law and Brother, I trust

ASTOR RALEIGH



Astor Raleigh entered eternal life on Thursday, March 20, 1980, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital, in Whitesburg, Kentucky.

Astor was the son of the late Joseph and Susanna Caudill Raleigh.

He was born October 12, 1905, being 74 years, 5 months and 8 days of age at the time of his passing.

Astor is survived by wife, Matilda Stamper Raleigh; 2 sons, Steve Raleigh of Greenville, Kentucky; Addie Raleigh of Roxana, Kentucky; 3 daughters: Ollie Whitaker of Roxana, Kentucky; Havel and Nora Raleigh both of Roxana, Kentucky; 3 sisters: Ardelia Hammonds of California; Margaret Holm of Ligonier, Indiana; Ollie Ison of Ohio.

Also surviving are 6 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Why do we mourn departing friends? Or shake at death's alarm, 'Tis but the voice that Jesus sends, To call them to His arms.

Wife, Tilda Raleigh

MARY FIELDS



With much sadness we will try to write a short sketch of a dear sister and mother—Mary Miller Fields, borned April 6, 1909, into the family of Harvey and Sallie Miller on April 6, 1909 and making her stay on earth 71 years and three months and 21 days. She was born and raised in Letcher County, Kentucky, and early in life she met and married Byrd Orear Fields

and to this union was borned 8 children, 4 boys, Charles and David Fields of Columbus, Indiana, Wayne Fields still at home and Willis J. Fields who preceded her in death and 4 girls, Helen and Grace Cornett of Gordon, Kentucky and Evelyn Hilderbrand of Columbus, Indiana and June Boggs of Bledsoe, Kentucky and her husband Byrd O. Fields who preceded her in death on January 28, 1978.

In 1949 she got worried about her soul and she turned to the Lord and decided to live for him for the remainder of her life. She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and lived a faithful member unto her death.

She leaves to mourn her loss besides her children, 16 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren and 2 brothers, Venon Miller of Lexington, Indiana and Dixon Miller of Skyline, Kentucky. And she leaves hosts of friends and relatives, and she was loved greatly by all who knew her and we believed that she loved her Lord with whole mind and strength and she never quit holding up her Holy hands and praising him, as

long as she lived. So children prepare to meet mother in that land that where she'll never suffer no more. So sleep on mother to that day when we can all be together once more.

Written by her brother, Venon Miller and her daughter and son-in-law, Grace and Glenn Cornett

DICIE EVERAGE



Who can find a virtous woman? For her price is far above rubies. Her children arise up and call her blessed, her husband also, and he praiseth her. So is it with this our dear Sister in the Lord to wit; Sister Dicie Everage. Born in Knott County, Kentucky, on January 4, 1910, the daughter of the late Valentine and Eveline Ashley Mullins. This our dear Sister layed down the

cross that she had carried for so many long years on Sunday, December 16, 1979. At the hour of midnight, she slipped away from a world of heartaches and troubles, to a land of pure delight, where the soul shall be at rest. The angels came for this our dear Sister, a faithful wife and devoted mother, as she waited for them to come carry her soul to the land, she had longed so long for. She waited patiently, as she rested her tired body in the South West Jefferson Community Hospital, Louisville, Kentucky. God blessed Sister Dicie to live upon his good earth 69 years, 11 months and 12 days, bringing joy and happiness to many as she passed this way.

When but a fair young lady, she gave her hand in holy wedlock to a young man of Knott County, Kentucky, Everett Everage. On January 11, 1937 she promised to be unto him a faithful, obident and loving wife. These vows she kept until her departure. For 43 years they shared lifes heartaches, troubles and disappointments, along with lifes joys, happiness and pleasurers. God blessed this dear man and woman to become the father and mother of 4 girls and 3 boys. Who through the guidance, training and love of a devoted christian father

and mother, grew up to be fine men and women. The girls are Margie, Mrs. Konowha Ritchie, Jane, Mrs. Darrell Parks, Linda, Mrs. Henry Montgomery all of Louisville, and Ann, Mrs. Monroe Sturgill of Amburgey, Kentucky. The boys are, Mr. Robert Everage of Amburgey, Kentucky, Mr. Eurie Everage of Hyden, Kentucky and Mr. Ray Everage of Fort Riley, Kansas. She leaves to mourn her loss besides her dear children a faithful and devoted husband, 22 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild. Three sisters, Mrs. Nora Franklin, Mrs. Tilda Mullins and Mrs. Bertie Whitaker all of Knott County, Kentucky, and 4 brothers, Eurie, Chester and Valentine all of Knott County, and William of Detroit, Michigan. Beside the many friends and love ones, the brother and sisters of the church, who were blessed to walk with her in this life.

In 1951 Sister Dicie gave her hand to become a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church at the Little Bethlehem Church. Indian Bottom Association. After moving to Louisville a few years ago, she placed her membership with the Antioch Church. Northern New Salem Association. We feel we have given up a true devoted Mother in Israel. A sister who let her light shine everyday, by the fruit she bore and the life she lived. A sister that was humble, never exalted. The pride of life, society and the changing of the fashions of this world, never worried Sister Dicie. She gave counsel and advice when needed, but never bostful of her place in life. A simple wife, sister and mother, who loved and lived a simple life by her everyday walks. I can truthful say, "she never lived in such a way to bring shame on the Old Church". You the young Sisters in Zion would do well to pattern your life after this dear Sister. One who believed in good order, a clean church and we that profess to be christians. to be an example for lost men and women to see our good works and glorify our heavenly father. During her long days of confinement. I never once heard sister Dicie grumble or complain. Always patient and humble, waiting for the master to call her home. She often told Bro. Everage and the children. "she was just waiting for her departure." Her doors were always open and her loving hands were ever busy, preparing food for those who stopped by.

I have never seen a more devoted and patient family as this dear Sister had to care for her in her last days. Always trying to comfort and bring ease. May you children always remember the good advice and counsel she gave you and strive with all within you to meet her after this life. So pleased three of her

daughters gave her flowers while she walked this way. Sister Margie, Ann and Jane, please continue in the good old way, which your mother walked in for so many years. To you, her other children, try to give your dear father flowers he can enjoy, while he waits to meet Sister Dicie in the city of the Saviour.

Humbly yours, Eld. Hillard Newsome

ELDER DEWEY AND JULIA HAMPTON



Dewey Hampton was born at Jeremiah, Kentucky, April 8, 1899, and entered eternal life June 13, 1978, making his stay on earth 79 years, 2 months, and 5 days. Julia Adams Hampton was born at Jeremiah, Kenturcky, March 28, 1900, and entered eternal life October 20, 1979 making her stay on earth 79 years, 6 months and 22 days.

Dewey was the son of

Wilburn and Elizabeth Hampton. Julia was the daughter of James and Sarah Adams. They were married May 12, 1919. To this union were born 4 sons: Vaughn of California, Varge of Charolette, North Carolina, Earl of Springboro, Ohio and Vernon deceased.

Dewey became a member of Doty Creek Regular Baptist Church in 1917. He began preaching in 1918. Julia joined Cross Roads Regular Baptist Church in 1950.

Julia had been in poor health for many years, and invalid 5 years. No one could have been better taken care of than she was by Dewey. He stood by her till his death.

They have gone to that beautiful city where the streets are made of gold. Where there's no sorrow, pain, or death and they will never grow old.

Written by Steve and Veatrice Adams



Leslie Kell, Carcassonne, Kentucky born June 14, 1919 and passed from this life February 17, 1980 making his stay here on earth 60 years 8 months and 2 days.

Leslie was the son of the late John and Zella Kell. He is survived by two sons: Thomas William Kell and Robert Jay Kell, Sr., both of Cleveland, Ohio, 5 grandchildren; Eva Mar-

iea, Shelby, Sandra Lynn, David Leslie, and Robert Jay Kell, Jr., 2 sisters: Lois Packard, Carcassonne, Kentucky and Gladys Hamilton, Cleveland, Ohio.

Leslie became a sick man in the year of 1974 and he felt the need of a Saviour and he then accepted the Lord Jesus Christ for his personal Saviour. In July of 1974 he became a member of the Cleveland Baptist Church and was baptized. Bro. Leslie moved from Ohio to Kentucky in the year of 1977 and also moved his church letter to the Jeremiah Missionary Baptist Church.

The Lord saw fit to take Bro. Leslie from this life on February 17, 1980 before he had a chance to see his new grandson, David Leslie Kell.

Bro. Leslie lived a good christian life and was loved by all who knew him, the community deeply misses him and so does the church.

So children, grandchildren, sisters, and loved ones turn to Bro. Leslie's God and find peace for your souls; for he is standing with outstretched arms waiting to take you in.

> Written by his son, Robert Jay Kell, Sr.

EMMITT BLAIR



Emmitt Blair, entered eternal life on Tuesday, December 11, 1979, at his residence at Jeremiah, Kentucky. He was the son of the late Grant and Sarah Hampton Blair. He was born April 12, 1903, being 76 years and 29 days of age at the time of death.

Emmitt is survived by 3 sons, Alexander Blair, Isom, Kentucky, Buster Blair, Cali-

forinia, Charles Collins, Alexandria, Kentucky, 1 daughter Mildred Begley, Red Fox, Kentucky. Two brothers, and three sisters.

He was a retired U.M.W. started work at the age of 13, working on the rail road tracks up Carbon Glow, Kentucky hollow. You could see he was a miner and worked hard all his life, by his slumped shoulders, and callous hands, he was a machine man, cutting coal for other men to load, he run a tram motor, the last years of work, never missing a day of work except for sickness. He enjoyed his work, and took pride in doing a good job.

He was an upstanding citizen, believing in doing the right of things, always willing to lend a helping hand too friends, neighbours and any one needing help, we respected him as a man, and loving him as our daddy.

He married Mae Howard Colling, a wonderful mother and wife, who every one dearly loved that knew her. Together they made a home of happiness and love for the children and grandchildren, they were devoted to each other. Until death took Mae away, leaving dad lonely for the next 17 months. On July 18, 1976 he heard the calling of the Holy Spirit, he prayed to God asking forgiveness of his sin, after making peace with God, on August 8, 1976 he was baptized by Rev. I.D. Back, Tobby Breeding and Agnus Back at Blackey, Kentucky where he took his fellowship with the Mount of Olive Church, he loved his church, brothers and sisters, he had many friends never seeing a stranger. His doors were always open too his neighbor, and friends, always inviting people to share the food from his table and love from his heart, the love we

feel in our heart for mother and dad can never be filled, or written with pencil and paper. I'm sure they are happy together in Heaven in God's present waiting for the children too come home and be with them.

> Written by his daughter, Mildred Begley

CLABE WATSON



Clabe Watson son of Luck Watson and Julie Owens Watson was born January 8, 1921 at Pippa Passes, Knott County, Kentucky.

Here he grew to manhood and spent his life a quiet and obident son.

Early in life he met and was married to Cara Smith and to this union was born 1 son Cleason and 1 daughter Charlotte.

He spent three years in the service and the rest of his labor life he spent doing pick up jobs of various kinds but always earned his bread by the sweat of his face.

Bro. Clabe offered his hand to become a member of the Reynolds Fork Church on May 17, 1979 and was so happy in serving the Lord the remainder of his life which he enjoyed.

Bro. Clabe was in failing health the last months of his life but bore his suffering with patients leaning upon the strong arm of the Lord.

His time in the hospital was shared by your unworthy as we talked about the power of the Lord and how he cared for his children and he took great comfort in how the Lord could help his own.

His pilgrimage here was short as we were blessed to have him for only 59 years 5 months and 3 days but we feel our loss is his eternal gain.

An unworthy brother, Lewis F. Craft Leaving to mourn his passing 1 son, 1 daughter, 3 brothers, 3 sisters and Cara his broken hearted companion and a host of friends and relatives.

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day
I'd rather one walk with me than merely show the way
The eye is a better pupil and more willing than the ear
Fine concue is confusing but examples always clear
The best of all the preachers are the men who live their creed
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs
I can soon learn how to do it if you will let me see it done
I can watch your hand in action though your tongue too fast
may run

All the sermons for May deliver May be very wise and true But I'd rather learn my lesson by observing what you do For I may misunderstand you and the fine advise you give But there's no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

QUINTON D. TOLLIVER



Quinton D. Tolliver, known by his friends as "Tebo", was born July 22, 1926 at Jackhorn, Kentucky and passed from this life July 17, 1979 at the Wise Hospital, Wise, Virginia, being almost 53 years of age at the time of his passing.

He was a son of Ruth Meade Tolliver and the late Hillard Tolliver. It was on and near this little mountain farm

where he was born and raised that he spent his entire lifetime. Tebo was always a good boy in his growing up. He was obedient to his parents and kind and friendly to all. He began work in the coal mines at a very early age. He enjoyed his work and was always on the job when he was able to be there. He loved the out-doors. When not in the mines you could see him working about his little farm and around his home.

He married Lou Branham in the year of 1951 and they worked hard together and raised their family. Tebo was sick

for several months and spent many long days and weeks in different hospitals with his good wife always at his side. The Doctors and his family did everything they could for him, but the time came when they all knew that he could not get well. It was while in the Roanoke Memorial Hospital, on February 17, 1979 Ministers John Preece, I.D. Back and Ivan Amburgey went to see him and he related his story that the Lord had forgiven him his many sins and he wanted to join the church. He was baptized first Sunday in March and took his membership with the Little Dove Church of Old Regular Baptists. He attended church as long as he was able to go.

He is sadly missed by his dear wife, Lou, and the following children: Wanda, Robert, Ronnie and John. He leaves his heart-broken mother and the following brothers and sisters: Robert D., Paul, Claude, Willis, June and Flora Ellen. Many other relatives and friends.

Written by Brother Alfred Adams

VIVIAN CAUDILL



Seems like only yesterday we wrote the obituary of our beloved grandfather, Hubart Caudill, and now we must write the obituary for our beloved grandmother, Vivian Caudill.

Mam-ma missed her loving husband of 50 years so much that her Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, called her home. The Lord knows all our problems and hears our prayers and I

believe that this was a prayer that was answered for Mam-ma. She loved her children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren so much but she wasn't at home in this world anymore and the Lord called her to a place where there is no tears, sadness, sorrow or heartaches, a place of happiness and rejoicing forever more.

Vivian Caudill, daughter of the late Wesley J. and Margaret Caudill, was born in Jeremiah, Kentucky, August 3, 1909 and passed from this life at her residence at Jeremiah, March

19, 1980 being 70 years, 7 months and 16 days of age at her passing.

She was a cook at Letcher School for 17 years.

Vivian was married to Hubart Caudill on June 19, 1929. He preceded her in death, July 30, 1979. To this union were born 2 children, Geraldine Ison of Jeremiah, Kentucky and Larry O. Caudill of Brownstown, Indiana. Also surviving her are 4 sisters: Lena Adams, Ella Pridemore, Martha Bailey all of Isom, Kentucky and Bessie Smith of Odessa, Texas; 2 brothers: Watson Caudill of Isom, Kentucky and Douglass Caudill of Twinsburg, Ohio.

The Lord has blessed this family with 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church having joined in 1952.

Mam-ma will be sadly missed, but her testimony lives on, at the death of her husband she kept telling us "how good the Lord had been to her." The Lord is good and merciful to all of us that have faith in him. Mam-ma has gone on to rest in Heaven, to be absent in the body and to be present with the Lord.

Written by her grandson, Mike Ison

REBECCA JANE ISON



Rebecca Jane Ison was born January 19, 1933, at Thorton, Kentucky, the daughter of Enoch Mahlon Hall and Maggie June Webb Hall. She departed this life January 11, 1980, making her stay here 46 years, 11 months, and 8 days.

Very early in life she met and loved Ermel Ison and they were married June 4, 1949. Unto this union were born 3

children: Douglas Allen of Monroe, Louisiana, Linda Kay at home, and Carla Sue at home and one granddaughter, Rebecca Faye Ison. Also left to mourn her passing is her mother, Maggie June Webb Hall, Thornton, Kentucky. Joseph Lee

Hall, Louisville, Kentucky, Lois Chilton of Shepherdsville, Kentucky, Loretta Powell, Dayton, Ohio, and Carl Hall, Thorton, Kentucky and a whole host of other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her father Enoch Mahlon Hall and seven brothers and sisters.

At the age of 16 years Janie gave her heart to God and in the fall of 1951 was baptised into the fellowship of the Regular Baptist Church and lived a devoted, and dedicated life right up to the time of her passing. I have thanked her many times for helping lead me to Christ. Janie was a charter member of 3 churches in Ohio, giving herself continually to the cause of Christ and the church. She was also Secretary-Treasurer of Rebecca Home Furnishing, Cincinnati, Ohio.

In October 1977, Janie was operated on for cancer. It slowed her down a little but fell short of stopping her. In June of 1978 she started and with the help of others organized the Happy Helpers Club of America, an organization of young people dedicated to helping the poor and under privileged, which is soon to become a charted, non-profit corporation.

As a dear friend of hers has often said, "Only one life will soon be passed, only what's done for Christ will last."

Janie's little body will soon return to the dust from which it came and her soul back to God who gave it, but the things she did, her teachings, and her soft tender way that has influenced all of us shall remain on this earth until the last trump of God shall sound awakening her, you, and me, and all others to be brought before the throne of God. So sleep a peaceful rest until we are permitted one more time to wake up together at the dawning of God's eternal day.

Written by her husband Ermel Ison

ELDER KIRBY ISON



Man that is born of woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not. But man dieth, and wasteth away; yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he? There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.

Elder Kirby Ison the son of

William (Uncle Bill) Ison and Sarah Dixon Ison was born November 2, 1907 and passed from this life on October 14, 1979 being 71 years, 11 months and 12 days of age at his passing. It is not always the amount of years that you have lived but the way in which you have lived. Brother Kirby was a very faithful servant for the Lord and he spent many hours and was always faithful in the work of the Lord.

In November 1927 Brother Kirby was married to Monette Huff at Line-Fork, Kentucky. They have lived a happy and devoted life together. To this union were born four children of which any parent would be proud. They worked hard that their children could have the better things of life. They sent them to College and taught them to fear the Lord and to bring honor to their parents and their God. Brother Kirby was not afraid of work and he was a good provider for his family.

For over fifty-years he was a Regular Baptist Preacher and went far and near in the work of the Lord. For many years he was the Assistant Moderator of the Thorton Union Association of Regular Baptist. He had been Assistant Clerk of the Indian Bottom Association. He worked long and had been one of the Incorporators of the Regular Baptist Orphanage and was on the Board of Regular Baptist Foundation, Inc. He had served as the Moderator of many of the Regular Baptist Churches, Sandlick, Little Ruby, Defeated Creek, Bethel, and many many more and his works had all gone on before and he will hear the words "Come in—you were faithful over a few things—I will make you ruler over many".

For over nineteen years he worked in the Department of Revenue for the State of Kentucky. He audited the books of many of the County officers in all of Eastern Kentucky. No one ever accused him of being unfair or unscrupulous in any of his dealings with any of the workers for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. When he retired he was called to Frankfort to be honored for his years of faithful service to the Department of Revenue.

He leaves to mourn his passing his companion—Monette of Whitesburg, one daughter—Janet Tate of Berea, Kentucky three sons—Ermal Ison of Ohio, Kirby Ison, Jr. of Kona, Kentucky and Larry Ison of Whitesburg, Kentucky. They all have high-ranking jobs in their communities—Janet in Music, Ermal in the furniture business, Kirby Jr. an engineering with state, Larry an Assistant Principal in Whitesburg, Ky. Eleven grand-children, and four great grand children, Sisters, Dicie Halcomb, Lovel Creech, Skyline, Kentucky, Bertha Hardin of Detroit, Vina Caudill of Whitesburg and Ada Cornett of Cumberland, and a large number of relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Life is a sojourn here on earth—Which begins the day God gives

We enter this world from the Great Unknown And God gives each Spirit a form of its own And endows this form with a Spirit and Soul To spur man on to his untimate goal And through the senses of feeling and seeing God makes man into a human being So he may experience a mortal life And through this period of smiles and strife Prepare himself to Return as he Came For birth and death are in essence the same For both are fashioned by God's mighty hand And while we cannot understand We know we are born to die and arise For beyond this world in beauty it lies The purpose of living and the ultimate goal God gives at birth to each seeking soul So enjoy your sojourn on earth and be glad That God gives you a Choice between Good Things and Bad And only be sure that you Heed God's Voice Whenever life asks you to make a choice.

Raymond Collins

JASPER AMBURGEY



Man that is born of woman, is but a few days and full of trouble; he cometh forth like a flower and is cut down. So is it with this our Dear one, Jasper Amburgey, a native of Knott County, Kentucky. The son of the late James and Rachel Moore Amburgey. Born October 15, 1903. God blessed Bro. Amburgey to live upon his good earth 76 years, 7 months, and 1

day. On early Friday morning May 16, 1980, as a new day was dawning we feel God sent an angel to come carry his soul to his home in Heaven.

On April 26, 1929, he taken by the hand a fair young lady by the name of Daisy May Harper of Knott County, Kentucky to be unto her a devoted and faithful husband for the remainder of his life. God blessed them to share life's heartaches and disappointments, joys, pleasures, and happiness for over 51 years.

God intrusted into their hands 8 children, to love, cherish, and raise to be fine men and women. Four daughters: Ruie Collins of Burlington, Kentucky, Lola Whitlow of Charleston, Indiana, Violet Asbury of New Albany, Indiana and Opal Bostock of Charleston, Indiana. Four sons: Arthur of Charlestown, Jackie at home, was preceded in death by Ivel and O.J. Left behind to miss the love and joy of a grandfather is 20 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Two lovely sisters, Stella and Mary of Virginia.

Bro. Amburgey was a retired coal miner. Leaving the beautiful hills of Eastern Kentucky in 1956, coming to this city, where he remained until death.

In 1959 Bro. Amburgey began to see himself lost in sin. Feeling the need of a Saviour, he began to pray and trust in God for deliverance from sin. After praying and feeling the Lord had heard his cries and set his soul free. He gave his hand to become a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ. At his death his membership was with the Big Creek Church of Old Regular Baptist, Indian Bottom Association. Here he refreshed his soul often with his Brothers and

Sisters. Rejoicing in the salvation of his master.

He lived a quiet simple life. Ever letting his light shine to his children, neighbors and friends.

By the life he lived one knew he was different from the world. Always giving good advice and counsel, yet never bosting of his place in life. Carrying his cross, though heavy it may have been, never complaining. He left the light hanging in the window, stones along lifes pathway that those that follow after may know he passed this way.

A tree is known by the fruit its bears and surely this our Dear Brother by the life he lived bore the fruits of a child of God.

Some sweet day we have a hope that we shall meet again where parting shall never come and we shall live together forever.

Humbly yours in Christ, Eld. Hillard Newsome

DELIAH JONES



She was the daughter of Nichlas Everage and Matilda Everage. She was born March 1, 1908. She was raised here in Knott County, Kentucky. She deceased this life October 12, 1979.

Early in life she met and married Colonel Jones. To this union was born nine children, four boys, George, Seether, Floyd, Arlee. Five girls Ruffie,

Matilda, Sarah Francis, Treeva, Sylvania. She leaves to mourn the loss of her dear and loving husband and these nine children and 28 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren, and one brother, Thee Everage and one sister, Pettie Mullins and our brothers and sisters in the Regular Baptist Church we have lost a wonderful sister and to the children you all have lost a good and wonderful mother. She is gone home to be with the Lord. Who loved her so good, to call her home to be with the good old people that had gone on before her. So now children to meet mother again you must fall out with sin and look to

God for mercy and be willing for Gods will to be done. Give him your heart and he says he will be found with you. So let us all look up and be prepared to meet Jesus in the air when he comes again. So we can be with him for ever is my prayer for ever and for ever.

Written by a loving brother in the Lord,
McKinley McIntosh

ELD WILLIAM EVERAGE



Elder William Everage was a dear brother. He was the son of Nichlas and Matilda Everage. He was born February 8, 1905 on Carr Creek, Knott County, Kentucky and spent his entire life here in Knott County, Kentucky.

Deceased this life March 12, 1980, making his stay here on earth 75 years, one month and four days.

Early in life he met and married to Namie Amburgey Everage. To this union were born 6 boys, Evirtty, Nick, John P., Arthur, Sam and Tray, 5 daughters, Girtie Mae, Cuba, Milfe Sue, Linda Lou, Brenda Gay. Brothers, one Theaphilus Everage Sisters, one Pettie Mullins and a host of grand and great grand-children.

After while he began to see the need of a Saviour, seeing that it would be awful to have to go down to a world of trouble and pain for ever, which would be the lake that burn with fire and brimstone for ever, and ever and never ceases. Where the screams and crying will be heard for ever and will never cease. The pleasures of this world is great to the National man. But that just lasts a little while, and when death comes it is over here, and the soul of man never dies. It goes on for ever. After praying and giving God his whole heart in August 4th, Sunday 1936 he came forward and gave his hand and professed a hope and was baptized in to full fellowship in to the Old Carr Church of the Old Regular Baptist faith and order.

Later on he came to the Little Bethlehem Church by letter. Later on and afterwhile September 13, 1951 he was ordained a minister by a presbytery of Ministers Elder Buddy Caudill, Moderator and Elder Hindrix Caudill, Clerk of the Presbytery. He traveled and preached for years in the year of 1967 he went to the Reynolds Fork Church and October 21, 1967 he was granted a letter of dismission to come in the arm that was granted that came to this place November 4, 1967. This church was named the Happy Home Church and has been a good brother. He lived a good life. We lived next door neighbors for several years he had his ups and down. But I never seen any one so humble. He lost his wife February 28, 1977. He has not seen a well day hardly since. Namie his wife had been gone so children and friends and neighbors and the Brothers and Sisters have lost a good father and a good Mother. They have gone on to never be with you all in this life here any more. And to this church we have lost another good Brother. When we come, we will see him no more his seat will be empty. Here we have two empty seats will you all begin to look up. We have all sinned and we must repent if we ever no how it looks in heaven. So when death comes let us all be ready to go to loving world where there is no dying, no pain, where Dad and Mama has gone and be with them and rejoice for ever.

Written by a Brother in Hope McKinley McIntosh

GARDNER JENT



It is with much sadness we will try to write the obituary of a brother in Christ, Bro. Gardner Jent. He was the son of the late Boney and Adeline Jent. Bro. Gardner was born December 1, 1906 being 73 years, 8 months and 24 days at the time of his passing.

Bro. Gardner joined the Bull Creek Old Regular Baptist Church in September 1948 and was baptized, since then he has been a good and faithful member and was a minister for about 32 years.

Bro. Gardner leaves to mourn the following: wife, Rosie. Three sons, David and Lester both at home; Astor Jent, Peru, Indiana. Five daughters: Joyce and Bonnie Lou both at home, Janet Johnson, Carcassonne, Kentucky, Lois Fields, Blackey, Kentucky, Beulah Roper, Peru, Indiana. One brother, Herman Jent, Carcassonne, Kentucky. Three sisters: Opal Combs, Detroit, Michigan, Alfa Jones, Georgia, Melodie Combs, Lexington, Kentucky, 6 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild as well as a host of friends and relatives.

Brother Gardner will be sadly missed in our community and especially in the Bull Creek Church. Some sweet day we hope to meet him again and we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

> Written by Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Combs

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 principle 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.

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

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

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

6. We believe in the perseverence 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 the 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 record 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 man.
- 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.
- The Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.
- 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 define his ideas on the proposition for debate, so far as he can.

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 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.

 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 power 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.

 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 expense 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 repsonsible to the Association for and 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 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 methods 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 the 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 form 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.

ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

CEDAR GROVE	Venson Whitaker, Box 15, Ulvah, Kentucky 41856
NEW HOME	Birtchell Mosley, Rt. 2, Box 35, Leburn, Kentucky 41831
DEFEATED CREEK	Atlas Frazier, Kingscreek, Kentucky 41827
REYNOLDS FORK	Lewis Craft, Rt. 1, Box 40, Hazard, Kentucky 41701, Tele- phone 436-3663
BULL CREEK	Kirby Jent, Letcher, Kentucky 41832, Telephone 633-9601
IVY POINT	Orbin B. Slone, Box 7, Pippa Passes, Kentucky 41844
LITTLE DOVE	Dave Hampton, Jeremiah, Kentucky 41826
TOLSON CREEK	George Caudill, Whitesburg, Kentucky 41858
DIXON MEMORIAL	Willie Eldridge, Blackie, Kentucky, Rt. 1, Box 52, Telephone 633-5030
BIG CREEK	Billy Maggard, 1006 Center Cross Street, Edinburg, Indiana 46124

HAPPY HOME

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CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

CEDAR GROVE Squire H. Watts, D. Y. Fields, and McClellon Ison Arnold Thacker, Birchell Mosley, NEW HOME and John M. Watts Coy Fields, Dixon Miller, and DEFEATED CREEK Atlas Frazier Eld. J. Nelson Seals, Eld. Dwight REYNOLDS FORK D. Amburgey, and Hiram Moore Elder Truman Jent, Donnie Jent, BULL CREEK and Virgil Combs Harry Moore, Lee Mosley, and IVY POINT Chester Gibson LITTLE DOVE Elder Ivan Amburgey, John Preece and Merle Smith TOLSON CREEK George Caudill, Watson Whitaker and Vernon Banks DIXON MEMORIAL Elder Carl Back, Willie Eldridge, and Lester Short BIG CREEK Coburn Ison, Earl Cox and Hardy Whitaker McKinley McIntosh, Landis Ever-HAPPY HOME age and Corbit Hall NEW BETHLEHEM J.C. Sparks, Morris Shepherd, and Donald Napier Elder Lewis Lucas, Clarence CLEAR FORK Combs, and Wilson Combs NORTHERN NEW HOME Mark Dotson, Frank Logan and Elder Ermel Ison Crit Stewart, Steve Adams, and BLAIR BRANCH Elder Fess Blair MT. OLIVET Elder I.D. Back, Agnan Back, and Glenn Hampton Ross S. Hill, Tommy Logan, LITTLE ZION and Euri Godsey -49-

HURRICANE GAP	Curt Blevins, Robert Harris, and Toby Breeding
ROSE OF SHARON	James D. Fields, Green Fields, and Roger Gibson
KINGDOM COME	Eld. Bert Fields, Parrott Roarks, and John Back
POOR FORK	Eld. Edward Sumpter, Arthur Lloyd, and Joe Ison
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ORDAINED MINISTERS

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Dwight D. Amburgey Pinetop, Kentucky
Ivan Amburgey (642-3061) Pinetop, Kentucky
Carl Back (633-4344) Jeremiah, Kentucky
I.D. Back (633-0749) Blackey, Kentucky
Fess Blair (633-0008) Ulvah, Kentucky
Toby Breeding (633-0006) Jeremiah, Kentucky
Herman Caudill Whitesburg, Kentucky
Howard Caudill (379-6586) Waynesburg, Kentucky
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Truman Jent Carcassonne, Kentucky
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Lewis Lucas R. R. 2, Hazard, Kentucky
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Melton, Henry (642-3994) Redfox, Kentucky
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Mosley, Lee (785-3358) Garner, Kentucky
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Sexton, Lonnie None Given
Watts, Harlas Mousie, Kentucky

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STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Received by Exp. & Bap.	Received by letters	Restored	Recommendation & By Application	Lost by Death	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Contributions
Cedar Grove	3	2	0	0	1	2	0	130	4	200.00
New Home	4	4	0	3	2	3	0	79	2	50.00
Defeated Creek	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	75.00
Reynolds Fork	0	0	0	0	4	5	3	44	3	75.00
Bull Creek	1	4	0	0	0	3	2	57	3	50.00
Ivy Point	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	35	4	25.00
Little Dove	9	5	1	0	2	2	1	124	2	200.00
Tolson Creek	0	0	0		1	2	0	18	4	75.00
Dixon Memorial	0	8	0		6	0	0	42	4	75.00
Big Creek	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	29	4	75.00
Happy Home	3	0	0	0	3	10	0	28	1	50.00
New Bethlehem	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	28	3	50.00
Clear Fork	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	25	1	40.00
Northern New Home	12	0	0	0	1	0	2	58	4	100.00
Blair Branch	10	0	0	1	1	1	0	63	3	125.00
Mt. Olivet	7	0	0	2	2	0	0	148	1	200.00
Little Zion	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25	4	20.00
Rose of Sharon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	40.00
Hurricane Gap	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	11	3	35.00
Kingdom Come	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	25	1	25.00
Poor Fork	3	3	0	0	4	0	1	30	1	50.00
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FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

We the church of Jesus Christ of Old 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
love and salutation to the ministers and messengers that may
compose the Association, when convened, assembled and in session at our Association House and Head-
quarters, Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, being hosted by
quarters, Sassairas, Knott County, Kentucky, Being hosted by
our dear sister the Church 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:
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with you in council. May the Lord bless you in all your work. We are at peace among ourselves. The state of the church is as follows:
ORDAINED MINISTERS
NAME POST OFFICES
Received by Experience and Baptism Letter Restored
Application (and or) Recommendation Dismissed by
Application (and or) 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 a traveling
spirit among us.
Done and signed by order of the church.
Elder , Moderator
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Brother, Clerk