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OF THE
EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
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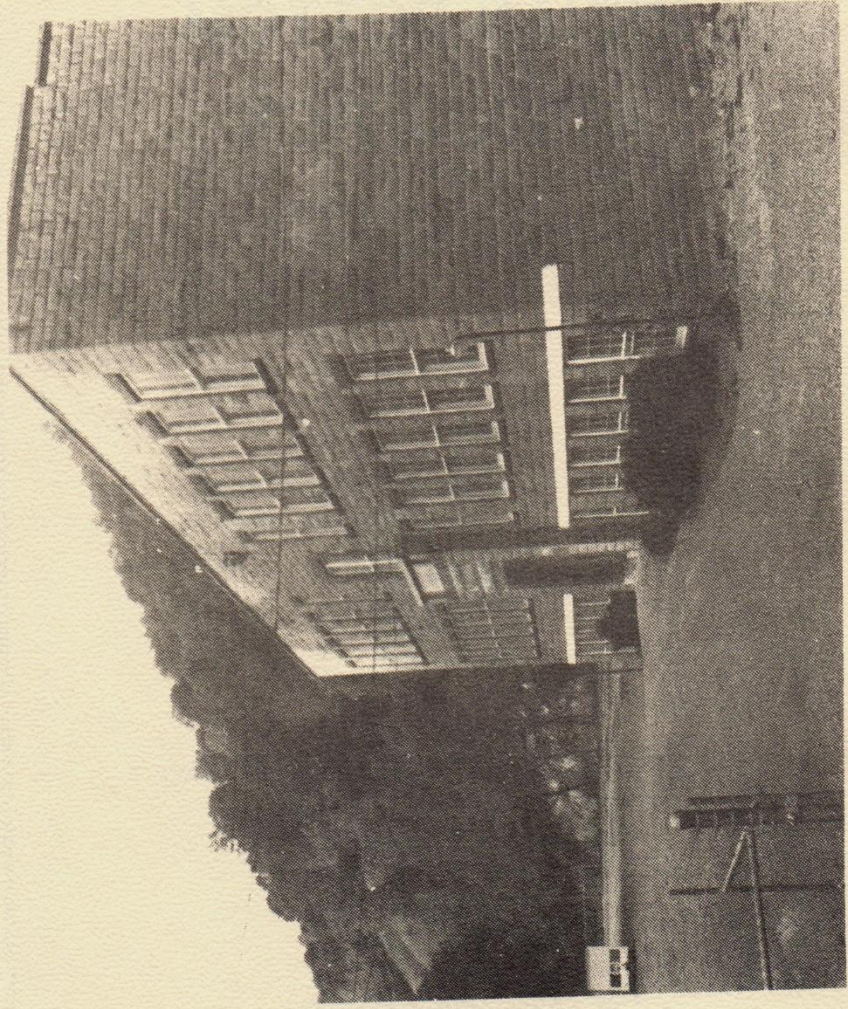
INDIAN BOTTOM
ASSOCIATION
OF
OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST



Held At The
INDIAN BOTTOM ASSOCIATION BUILDING
Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky
September 4, 5, and 6, 1981

Hosted By:
Mt. Olivet Church

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

1. From Hazard, Kentucky, go east on Ky. 15 to Sassafras (12 miles), then follow signs up Yellow Creek about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to Association.
2. From Hindman, Kentucky, leave Ky. 80 on Ky. 160 south about ten miles to Ky. 15; turn right, follow 15 about four miles to Sassafras; follow signs as in No. 1.
3. From Whitesburg, Kentucky, follow Ky. 15 west to Sassafras about twenty miles; follow signs as in No. 1.
4. Accommodations for campers will be provided for and available on the building parking lot.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1981, AND THE TWO
FOLLOWING DAYS

The Indian Bottom Association, being in session, assembled at our Association Building at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, September 4, 1981, and the two following days. Being hosted by the Mt. Olivet Church, the Association met in the congregational department of the Association Building for preaching services. After singing some of Zion's songs, Elder Toby Breeding introduced the service and led in prayer.

After prayer had been rendered Elder Elwood Cornett, who was chosen by the delegates of the 1980 session to preach the Introductory Sermon of this 1981 session, came to the pulpit and preached a wonderful sermon.

The delegates were dismissed from the congregation and asked to assemble in the Delegate Room. Then came forth Elder Elwood Cornett, our Moderator, who made a few remarks to the delegates and called on Elder Grover Adkins to come to the pulpit. Elder Adkins came forth and rendered a heart-warming introduction. After a song he also led in prayer.

The Association, now being 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.

1. A motion was made, seconded, and passed with no objection, to read the letter of the Mt. Olivet Church. The letter was read by the clerk. By a move and second, with no objection, it was received, along with all other church letters as they were in usual form; the delegates were seated, and all requests and queries were referred to the Committee on Arrangements.
2. 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

3. The Moderator called for newly constituted churches and Lydia Church of Marion, Indiana, presented a letter with delegates. By a move and second with no objection the letter was received, the delegates seated, and the letter was referred to the Committee on Arrangements.
4. Churches of our same faith and order who desired fellowship were called for by the Moderator. Big Cowan Church presented a letter with delegates. There was a move and second with no objection to receive the letter, seat the delegates, and refer the letter to the Committee on Arrangements.
5. A motion was made, seconded, and passed with no objection to omit the reading of the Articles of Faith and the Constitution, but to read the Rules of Decorum, and have all printed in our minutes. (The Articles of Faith, Constitution, and Rules of Decorum.)
6. The Moderator called for corresponding Associations of our same faith and order. The following responded with letters, delegates and a file of minutes:
 - A. NEW SALEM:** Elders: Woodrow Dye, A.O. McKnight, Estill Slone, Alvin Brown, Coy Combs, Abel Johnson, Hobert Bates, Hiram Adkins, Grover Adkins, Walter Akers, Clive Hall, Jimmy Dye, Litton Dye, John Frazier. Brothers: Bill Day, C.B. Smith, Don Fields, Lonnie West, Joe Brown, Pat Hall, Tom Waddles, Linville Adkins, Hershel Hamilton and Milford Bryant. By a move and second with no objection the letter was received, the delegates seated and given the right hand of fellowship.
 - B. UNION:** Fon Bowling, M.D. Mullins, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Dewey Sexton, Felix Sexton, John M. Mullins, Jesse L. Williamson, Marshall Williamson, Dallas Ramsey, Ival Coleman, W. F. Hubbard, Carson Wright, Wesley Wright, Bill Hess, Paul McClanahan, Auty McClanahan, Jesse Thacker, Jr. Wellman, Rans Clevenger, Victor Coleman, Andy Bates, Perry Layne, Powers Caudill, Charles Wright, Bill Campbell, Earl

Cantrell. By a move and second with no objection the letter was received, the delegates seated and given the right hand of fellowship.

C. NORTHERN NEW SALEM: Baxter Osborne, Ray Hamilton, Alex Collier, Lonnie Gregory, Bill Ison, Sam Lewis, Clarence Jenkins, Pete Hensley, Albert Osborne, Gordon Reynolds, Elmer Adams, Charles Craft, C.W. Turner, Burtchel Short, Joshua Hicks, Astor Eldridge, Stoney Blackburn, Roy Caudill, Marvin Potter, Ernie Tuttle and Burl Stevens. By a move and second with no objection the letter was received, the delegates seated and given the right hand of fellowship.

7. The Moderator called for transient members and ministers of our same faith and order. Elder Hezekiah Osborne responded.

8. By a 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 Mt. Olivet 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 Mt. Olivet Church should have only one delegate together with the Association Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerks, transients, and the entire delegation from the corresponding Association to meet Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. to arrange the business for Saturday.

11. By a 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 the same.

12. The Committee on Ministry made the following report for preaching services:

For Friday Afternoon - Hiram Adkins, Woodrow Dye
For Saturday Morning - Grover Adkins, Paul McClanahan, Stoney Blackburn

13. By a move and second with no objection the Association adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

The Committee on Arrangements met at 2:00 p.m. Friday afternoon in the Congregational Department of the Association Building. The session was introduced by Elder Andy Bates with prayer by Elder Dewey Sexton. Then Elder Woodrow Dye came to the stand and preached a wonderful sermon, after which the Committee arranged the work for Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1981

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. After singing of Zion's hymns to the glory of God, the moderator, Elder Elwood Cornett, called on Elder Fon Bowling from the Union Association to introduce and Elder Roy Caudill from the Northern New Salem Association to lead in prayer. Both were well blessed.

1. The clerk called the roll and marked the absentees.
2. The report of the Committee on Arrangements was made. The work was approved by a move and second with no objection and the Committee was discharged.
3. The ministers chosen to preach on the stand were excused to go to the Congregational Section of our Association Building.
4. The moderator appointed a Committee on Finance to wit: Dwight Amburgey, Dock Cornett and Merle Smith, who reported a total sum of \$2,205.00 collected from the churches. By a move and second with no objection the report was received and the committee discharged.
5. By a move and second with no objection the minutes of this session of the Association were ordered to be printed. By the same motion the clerk was to be Secretary/Treasurer; he was to have 3,000 minutes printed, and he was to be paid \$50.00 for his service.
6. By a move and second with no objection the time and date of Union, Communion and Memorial services were to be printed in our minutes.
7. The Circular Letter was prepared and read by Bro. E. Robert Miller. By a move and second with no objection the letter was received and ordered to be printed in our minutes. The Committee on Ministry chose Elder J. Nelson Seals to write a Circular Letter for the Association's consideration next year.
8. The Committee on Ministry, being the same as on

Friday, arranged the preaching service for Sunday:
For Sunday Morning - Elder Jimmy Dye, Elder Coy Combs, Elder Baxter Osborne

9. The Committee on Ministry chose Elder Bill Moore to preach the introductory sermon for the 1982 session of this Association and chose Elder Dwight Amburgey to be his alternate.

10. By a move and second with no objection obituaries are to be printed in the minutes together with pictures, with a fee of \$10.00 included for printing of pictures.

11. The treasurer gave his report which was received by a move and second with no objection. The report was as follows:

Balance on hand 9/5/1980	\$1196.91
Received from churches	1635.00
Received for printing pictures	232.00
Total in Treasury	\$3063.91
Paid out for printing minutes	\$1800.00
Clerk's fee	50.00
Total paid out (1980-1981)	\$1850.00
Balance on hand 9/5/81	\$1213.91

12. Letters prepared to our corresponding Associations as follows:

NEW SALEM: to begin on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1981, at Minnie, Floyd County, Kentucky, at their Association Building. Delegates to attend: Elders: Manus Ison, Jim Fields, Toby Breeding, Elwood Cornett, J.C. Sparks, Ivan Amburgey, Clark Hayes; Brothers: Hurley Short, Henry Eldridge, Morris Shepherd, McKinley McIntosh, Hiram Moore, Willie Eldridge, Merle Smith, Charles Shepherd, Harry Moore, Lee Mosley, Glenn Hampton, John Preece. (Letter in the hands of Morris Shepherd.)

UNION: to begin on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1981, at the Little Martha Church, Vansant, Buchanan County, Virginia. Delegates to attend: Elders: Chester Gibson, Manus Ison, Jim Fields, Toby Breeding, Elwood Cornett, Ivan Amburgey, Clark Hayes, J. Nelson Seals; Brothers: Willie Eldridge, Morris Shepherd, Merle Smith, Charles Shepherd, Glenn Hampton, John Preece, Lester Short. (Letter in the hands of Morris Shepherd.)

NORTHERN NEW SALEM: to begin on Friday before the first Saturday in August, 1982, at the Little Rebecca Church, Plymouth, Ohio. Delegates to attend: Elders: Jim Fields, Chester Gibson, Elwood Cornett, Ivan Amburgey, J. Nelson Seals; Brothers: Morris Shepherd, McKinley McIntosh, Glenn Hampton, Merle Smith, Charles Shepherd. (Letter in the hands of Ivan Amburgey.)

13. The ministers were called upon to make reports on their attendance at Union Meetings and Associations. They, in general, reported that they did the best they could. By a move and second with no objection their reports were received and they were excused for their failures.

14. *The Committee on Council* was called on to make its report. The report was as follows:

COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL REPORT

The Committee on Council, upon request, met with the Big Cowan Regular Baptist Church on Saturday evening, April 24, 1981. The Big Cowan Regular Baptist Church requested that they be received into the Indian Bottom Association.

The Big Cowan church was asked to comply with the following requests, and the church agreed. The requests being, in general, as follows:

1. The church agreed to make an acknowledgement to the Association.
2. The church was asked to clear up any confusion about members now belonging to Big Cowan church who had previously belonged to churches we are in correspondence with at the present time.
3. The Big Cowan church was asked to comply with Indian Bottom Association recommendations and guide lines.

15. The request from New Bethlehem Church of Old Regular Baptist was as follows:

We, the New Bethlehem Church of Old Regular Baptist at Talcum, Kentucky, met July 18, 1981, on our regular meeting time. It was agreed by regular move and second without an objection to send the following request to our Association when convened at our Association Building on Friday before

the first Saturday in September, 1981.

We humbly request our Association to distribute minutes according to contributions sent by the churches, if it isn't already being done.

J.C. Sparks - Assistant Moderator

Melvin Creech - Clerk

The action on the request, by a move and second with no objection was as follows: The clerk is to distribute 2400 copies of our minutes, which is 80%, in accordance with financial contributions from each church. The remaining 600 copies are to be distributed to corresponding associations and our churches in response to need.

16. The letter of the Lydia Church was read along with the record of their organization. It was moved and seconded with no objection to receive the newly established church into the Indian Bottom Association and to give their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

17. The letter of the Big Cowan Church was read. Upon the advice of the moderator, Elder Elwood Cornett, Elder Ellis Banks, the moderator of the Big Cowan Church, humbly and tearfully made an apology which was humbly and tearfully received. By a move and second with no objection the Big Cowan Church was received back into our Association and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship.

18. The moderator appointed the following people to serve on the Committee on Council for the following year:

1. Elder I.D. Back, Chairman ✓
2. Elder Dwight Amburgey ✗
3. Bro. Birchell Mosley
4. Bro. Lester Short ✓
5. Bro. E. Robert Miller ✓
6. Bro. Ellis Adams ✓
7. Bro. Morris Shepherd

19. The Little Dove Church, by move and second with no objection, was selected to host the 1982 session of our Association.

20. Bro. Glenn Hampton, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, gave his report. By a move and second with no objection it was approved.

21. It was moved, seconded and duly passed with no objection that a resolution be written to the Mt. Olivet

Church for doing a good job in hosting the 1981 session of this Association.

22. The minutes of the 1981 session of our Association were read by the clerks. By a move and second with no objection they were approved.

23. It was moved and seconded with no objection to adjourn this session of our Association.

24. The moderator called on Elder Baxter Osborne, moderator of the Northern New Salem Association, to make the concluding remarks. After some inspiring words by Elder Osborne, Elder Joshua Hicks dismissed us in prayer. Our next Association session is scheduled to begin on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1982, and to continue the two following days.

Done and signed by the order of
the Indian Bottom Association.

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1981

As a large and orderly crowd eagerly began to assemble in our Association Building, many joyful voices were tuned with the Spirit in singing praises to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. After many beautiful songs were sung, the Welcome was given by our Beloved Moderator, Elder Elwood Cornett. Elder Robert Haney introduced the service by making several feeling remarks. Elder Ivan Amburgey made a good prayer. Elder Coy Combs followed and was wonderfully blessed to preach a very warm and feeling sermon. His text, "In the days of these kings, God shall set up a Kingdom and shall consume all other kingdoms. The government shall rest upon His shoulders." Elder Baxter Osborne took for his text, "Great is the mystery of Godliness." Brother Baxter was well blessed in preaching the riches of God. Elder Jimmy Dye came to the stand and sang so beautifully, "I Have A Letter From My Father." There were many shouts and praises of joy given to God during the song. Elder Jimmy Dye preached from the fifteenth chapter of the Book of John. In the closing there was great love and rejoicing shown by the Brothers and Sisters

as they sang a parting song. Thus the eighty-sixth annual session of our dearly beloved Association came to an end.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The eighty-sixth session of the Indian Bottom Association was well hosted by the Mt. Olivet Church and we, the delegates, officers, visitors from other associations, and all who came under your care, do wish to take this opportunity to say, "thank you," for a job well done. We wish to also thank the sister churches, the community, and all others, including those from other denominations and churches, who assisted in serving, cooking, cleaning, ushering, parking cars, and in other ways to make the hosting of this session of our Association successful.

We close this resolution with a prayer that God will bless you according to your deeds of service. Thank you.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO OUR SISTER ASSOCIATIONS FROM THE NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION

To the members and friends of the following Associations, we take this opportunity to express our sympathy to each of you for the loss of great soldiers of the Cross. They left their marks and I'm sure they will never be erased; they will long be remembered in the Old Regular Baptist family, so take heed to their teaching and you will not stray from the old path.

Union Association:

Sardis Association:

Philadelphia Association:

Indian Bottom Association:

Elder Kirby Ison

Elder Critt Eldridge

Elder Olus Baldrige

Elder Gardner Jent

Elder Grover Adkins, Moderator

Elder Burton Howard, Assistant Moderator

Brother Dexter Dixon, Clerk

Elder Glenn Pack, Assistant Clerk

CIRCULAR LETTER 1981

Beloved Brothers and Sisters of the Indian Bottom Association:

It was with mixed feelings that I received word that I had been chosen to write the Circular Letter for this eighty-sixth session. One of those feelings being, am I qualified; another being, what can I write about that would perhaps be up-building to the Kingdom of God?

Brothers, I prayed and prayed for an answer. I had several subjects come to mind, but I always returned to the one that I am writing about. After I started to write, I still prayed that I would be guided and blessed with the words that would be fruitful to all who read this letter.

My subject is directed to the members of this great army of Jesus Christ.

We all know the importance of a good foundation. This applies in learning as well as in building. I feel that it is even more important in our spiritual growth.

In learning, if we get the basics, we will be able to solve problems and answer the questions. In building, this is more evident. We all know that the foundation is the most important part of the structure. If the building has a good foundation, you can add to and make improvements without it being harmful to the building; however, if the foundation is not good, you could not do much to improve the structure. For an example, if you were to build a home and put part on a good foundation and just lay part on the bare ground and go ahead and complete the structure, what do you think would happen? It is evident that the part which was laid on the bare ground would sink into the soil and then start pulling on the part that was put on the good foundation. The ultimate result will be that the structure will be drawn out of shape and start sagging toward the weak part.

The same thing applies to our church. If our church's foundation is in two parts - one part on man and one part on Jesus Christ - we will have a weak spiritual foundation. Don't build on man, for he is a weak and unreliable creature who cannot support the type of building that our Lord has established. What do I mean by this? Man has tried to add his own rules and interpretations and follow traditions of the past, even though they have no basic backing by the scriptures.

Here again, the result will be the same as the sinking of the structure placed on a poor foundation. It will pull the church out of shape spiritually and it will lean toward the weakened part.

Paul states what the foundation of the church is, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Brothers, if we do not have our church built on this foundation, then we will have the spiritual building getting out of shape and leaning toward the weaker part which was built on man.

The three fruits growing out from this foundation should be faith, hope and charity. Paul said, "And now abideth faith, hope and charity; but the greatest is charity. Faith and hope will be our traveling companions throughout this natural life, but charity will continue beyond the grave." Did not Peter say, "And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves; for charity shall cover the multitude of sins." We should look for the good qualities in others and be quick to give the helping hand to a weaker brother. If we would do this, we would be far too busy to find fault. If we spend our time nit-picking, it is evident that we do not have the cloak of charity upon us, and man's part of the foundation will start slipping into the mire.

The foundation is Jesus Christ. We are all members of His Body. God put some in the church as apostles, prophets, teachers, miracles, healing, helps, governments and tongues. Now, all have specific talents and in no way are they inter-related. Each has his own particular duty as a part of this wonderful body. Let us not forget those members which seem less important or less honorable. For God has tempered the body together, giving more honor to that part which seemed to be less important.

We can compare this to the carpenter who uses the tools of his trade. For specific jobs he will use certain tools. He does not use the hammer on all jobs, nor does he always have the need for the plane, but he does use each one as the need arises. He would not use the hammer for a saw, nor would he use the saw for a screw. But, if used for the job it was designed for, the finished product will be pleasant to behold. Here again, he also uses some tools to complete the job that the result of that particular tool might not be visible to the eye, but without its function the finished product could not

have been achieved. So it is with the church, all members are important and the least is the most.

Brothers, this good foundation that I have been relating to you is not directed to the sinner man or woman, because they have no part in this structure; but rather to the members who, through ignorance, jealousy or self-importance, are trying to implant their ideas to become a part of this true foundation established by our Lord. It behooves all of us to study those things which are of man to determine whether or not they are truly a part of this foundation. Brothers, our remaining days are few. We must think about our children and our children's children. What kind of a structure are we going to leave them? Is it going to be strong and upright, with no cracks in the foundation; and will the fruits growing out be so beautiful that they will want to leave their lives of sin and taste those fruits of eternal life? I hope and pray that this is what we will be striving for.

We often hear the statement, "We want to keep the old time way." I say, it will be the old time way, if it is built on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Your Brother in Christ,
Bro. E. Robert Miller

UNION, COMMUNION AND MEMORIAL MEETINGS

MARCH 1982

LITTLE ZION: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in March. Ministers called: Chester Gibson, John Preece, Clark Hayes, Bill Moore, Bill Halcomb. Communion: fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: fourth Sunday in June.

APRIL 1982

ROSE OF SHARON: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Carl Back, Clarence Dixon, Clifton Hampton, Fess Blair, I.D. Back, Virgil Combs. Communion: second Sunday in June. Memorial: second Sunday in July. Ministers called: Chester Gibson, Clark Hayes, Dwight Amburgey, Ellis Banks, Elwood Cornett and Toby Breeding.

BLAIR BRANCH: Union meeting third Saturday night and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Elder Elwood Cornett, John Preece, Ivan Amburgey, Agnon Back, Clarence Dixon, Clifton Hampton and I.D. Back. 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, Elder Dwight Amburgey, Elder Stoney Blackburn, Bro. Keith Slone, Elder Larry Hankins, Elder Ronald Scott, Elder Clay Wilson, Robert Haney, Marcus Combs, Clyde Shepherd and Bro. Jasper Fields. Memorial fourth Sunday in June. Communion: fourth Sunday in August.

MAY 1982

LYDIA: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Coburn Ison, Irvin Stallings, Clyde Shepherd, Dwight Amburgey, John Preece. Communion: first Saturday in June.

MT. OLIVET: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Bill Moore, Robert Haney and Melvin Watts. Communion: first Sunday in August. Memorial: first Sunday in July.

LITTLE DOVE: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Elder Baxter Osborne, Ermil Ison, Woodrow Dye and Jimmy Dye. Communion: second Sunday in July. Memorial: second Saturday and Sunday in June.

REYNOLDS FORK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Stoney Blackburn, Jimmy Dye, Dewey Sexton, Ivan J. Amburgey, Clark Hayes and Elwood Cornett. Communion: third Sunday in June. Memorial: third Saturday and Sunday in July.

BULL CREEK: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ted Everidge, Clarence Dixon, Clark Hayes, Agnon Back, Carl Back. Communion: third Sunday in August. Memorial: third Sunday in July.

CEDAR GROVE: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Paul McClanahan, Clarence Dixon, I.D. Back and John Preece. Communion: fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: fourth Sunday in June.

JUNE 1982

KINGDOM COME: Union meeting: all preachers are welcome to come that are in the same faith and order, and in correspondence with Kingdom Come Church. Memorial: first Sunday in May. Communion: first Sunday in July.

HAPPY HOME: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim D. Fields, Elwood Cornett, Ermil Ison, Carl Back, Dwight Amburgey, 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: Elder Burton Howard, Jimmy Fields, Morris Shepherd, Andy Bates, Elwood Cornett, Marion Martin and Bill Halcomb. Communion: first Sunday in July. Memorial: first Sunday in October.

NEW HOME: Union meeting second Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Elder Bill Tackett, Marion Martin, Elwood Cornett, Bill Moore, Bro. John Preece and Carl Ray Tuttle. Communion: second Sunday in July. Memorial: second Sunday in October.

NEW BETHLEHEM: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim Fields, Coy Combs, Bill Moore and Clarence Dixon. Communion: third Sunday in August. Memorial: third Saturday and Sunday in September.

DIXON MEMORIAL: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Fess Blair, Clarence Dixon, John Preece, Virgil Combs, Henry Melton and Clark Hayes. Communion: fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Deceased members of the church: fourth in September.

BIG COWAN: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called in Union meeting and Memorial meeting: Elder I.D. Back, Jim Fields, Toby Breeding, Bill Moore, Elwood Cornett, Fess Blair and Virgil Combs. Communion: fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: fourth Saturday and Sunday in September.

IVY POINT: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Bro. Lewis Craft, Elder Charlie Gibson, Bro. Green Hall, Bro. Bill Hall, Bro. Jimmy Fields, Bro. Milburn Slone and our moderator. Communion: fourth of July. Memorial: fourth of August.

TOLSON CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Andy Bates, Agnon Back, Lewis Lucas, Chester Gibson, Charlie Gibson and Toby Breeding. Communion: fourth Saturday and Sunday in July. Memorial: fourth Saturday and Sunday in August.

BIG CREEK: Union meeting fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Toby Breeding, Clark Hayes, John Preece and Ivan Amburgey. Communion: fourth Saturday and Sunday in July. Memorial: fourth Saturday and Sunday in August.

AUGUST 1982

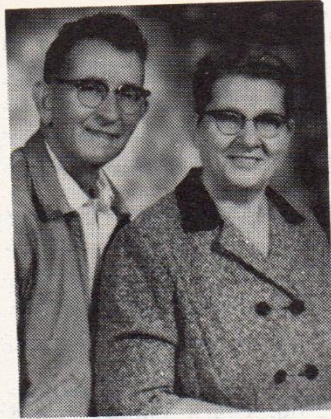
DEFEATED CREEK: Union and Communion meeting second Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Bro. Fess Blair, Bro. Ellis Banks, Bro. Ellis Adams and Bro. Clarence Dixon. Memorial: second Saturday and Sunday in July.

HURRICANE GAP: Union meeting third Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: I.D. Back, Fess Blair, John Preece, Elwood Cornett, Toby Breeding, Clarence Dixon. Communion: third Saturday and Sunday in August. Memorial: third Sunday in October.

POOR FORK: Union meeting first Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: John Preece, Ivan Amburgey, Bill Moore, Manus Ison, Dwight Amburgey. Communion: first Sunday in July. Memorial: first Sunday in August. Ministers called: Jim Fields, Dwight Amburgey, Edward Sumpter, Ted Everage.

Obituaries

HALIC DYRE



"Man that is born of a woman is of a 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.

For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

If a man die, shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

Thou shall call, and I will answer thee." This might aptly be said of Halic Dyre.

Halic Dyre was born into the home of Daniel Francis and Martha Jane Caskey Dyre on July 5, 1903, and departed this life on October 16, 1980, making his journey here on Earth 77 years, 3 months and 11 days.

In 1922 Halic and his devoted companion, Vera, were united in marriage. They reared a fine family and had a happy and good life together, both belonging to the church for many years.

In the 1940's Halic saw the need of Salvation and sought the Lord diligently until God, in His infinite mercy, pardoned his sins and gave him a ticket to Heaven. Halic joined the church 33 years ago, and has lived a good Christian life for all these many years. He was ordained a deacon, and served this office faithfully and well. He was a good singer and always enjoyed singing the old-time hymns ("Salvation, Oh, The Name I Love," and "I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord.") Yes, Halic was truly a Christian, always abounding in the Faith.

Halic leaves here, to mourn their loss, his devoted wife, Vera; one son, Richard, at home; five daughters: Audry Sanders, Vicco, Ky.; Martha Smith, Hamilton, Ohio; Lillian Gibson,

New Haven, Indiana; Jean Miles, Vicco, Ky.; Jackie Francis, Taylor, Michigan; two sisters, Mary Ellen Caskey and Elsie Patrick, Wellington, Ky.; eighteen grandchildren; twenty-one great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

I would like to admonish you to love and trust the same God that Bro. Halic did, and someday, when this life is over, you can join Bro. Halic in singing praises to God while Eternal Ages roll on, in a land that know no sorrow, pain or death.

Today you are sad and lonely because one you loved so dearly has left you, but the angels are rejoicing because another valiant soldier has fought his last battle, conquered his last enemy, and reached home safe and sound.

Sister Dyre has lost a true and loving husband; you children have lost a kind and devoted father; the Blair Branch Church has lost a good member and a bright light; the community has lost a good neighbor and friend; but Heaven has gained another angel. This should be another incentive for each of you to want to go to Heaven.

Why do we mourn departed friends
And shake at death's alarms?
'Tis but the voice that Jesus sends
To call us to His arms.

Bro. Glenn Hampton

MATILDA MITCHELL ISON



Mrs. Matilda Mitchell Ison, born May 7, 1909, at Letcher County, Kentucky, entered eternal life August 1, 1980, at the University Community Hospital, Tampa, Florida, following a period of declining health. She attained the age of 71 years.

She was the daughter of the late Joner and Cornelia Hogg Mitchell. She married Manous Ison December 23, 1927, and from this union two children were born: Wana Mae Crider of Cumberland, Ky., and William

H. "Billy" Ison, who preceded her in death.

Also surviving are three sisters: Mrs. Larcena Feye of Otisco, Indiana, Mrs. Minnie Whitaker of Roxanna, Ky., Mrs. Ardelia Evans of Cumberland, Ky.; two brothers: Chester Mitchell of Dayton, Ohio and Isaac Mitchell of Roxanna, Ky., six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She joined the Poor Fork Old Regular Church in Cumberland, Kentucky, in 1932, where she was a faithful member until her passing. She served the church as the church clerk for over seventeen years.

She was a loving mother, a devoted wife and helpmate. A smile was her greeting card and a kind word her goal in life. It is the family's feeling that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by husband, Manous M. Ison
and daughter, Wana Mae Crider

RUBY (CREECH) AMBURGEY



On November 17, 1978, the Lord took Ruby home to be with Him. The terrible cancer which had devastated her body emerged victorious over the mortal frame, but the immortal soul was released into that land of eternal bliss, there to be with the God she had loved and served while on this earth.

Ruby's legacy to the family was not in material foods. Though money always seemed

to come easily to her, it went from her just as readily - shoes for a student who needed them, a coat for a neighbor, food for a family out of work, a home for a child and on and on. Some said people took advantage of her generosity, and perhaps that is so, but I believe that Ruby will receive her reward in Heaven, for our Lord has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Some of my earliest recollections center around Ruby and

her Bible. After supper she would gather the family together to read the Bible. She usually did the reading, stopping sometimes to elaborate on a particular passage, and many times ending the readings with a song of praise. She was responsible for starting me as a child to reading the Bible nightly, so that by the time I finished grade school, I had read the Bible in its entirety.

She was always interested in learning, even though sickness forced her to drop out of high school after only one year. She met and married Arnold C. Amburgey during World War II, but he was felled by a bullet to the head before he could return to her. She never remarried and, at the age of thirty-two, decided to return to school to become a teacher. For the remainder of her life, Ruby taught school and she loved every minute of it. She loved each of her students in a very special way and would never tire of listening to them, of explaining things to them, or of just being with them. And as she reached out to her students in love, they responded in like manner to her -- and sent her on that "dream" trip to England.

During the last years of her life, Ruby took care of Mom and Dad and raised two nieces in addition to her teaching responsibilities. Even then the cancer was eating at her body, yet she persisted in caring for those she loved. Less than two years after Mom's death, Ruby was gone, too. But her memory will live forever in the heart of each surviving family member and, I'm sure, in the hearts of those students she loved so dearly.

Yes, Ruby's legacy to us was NOT material goods -- it was something far more lasting, something we can never lose: she left us with a sure knowledge that a life lived unselfishly is the most godly. May the Lord help us to live by that example.

NANCY MULLINS

Nancy Mullins was born May 1, 1910, and died on February 11, 1981. She was the daughter of the late George and Sylvia Combs Jones. She was born and raised in Knott County. In early life she met and married Kerm Mullins. To this union were born seven children; three sons: Harlen, Virgil and Rant, and four daughters: Corean Caudill, Herma Jacobs, Maggie

Slone and Sylvia Adams.

Nancy was in poor health for quite a while, but her suffering never made her bitter or hopeless. She was able to smile through pain and tears. A few years ago she told her son, Harlen, that she felt that she had a better home to go to when she left this world. She leaves to mourn her passing seven children, three brothers, four sisters, forty-two grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.

Children, if you want to meet mother, you have to go to the same God that she did. She can't come to you, but you can go to her.

Written by her nephew and Brother-in-Hope,
Landis Everage

HERBERT MULLINS



Herbert Mullins was born January 15, 1911 in Perry County, Kentucky. He was the son of Marion and Matilda Ashley Mullins. Early in life he met and married Sally Jones, and to this union were born thirteen children -- six sons: Jurdon, Herbert Jr., James Arthur, Paul Gene, Obra, Dean and Carmel J.; seven daughters: Sylvia Maxine, Tilda Marie Rice, Mable Smith, Audrey Faye Buck, Betty Jewel Marger, Mary Ann

Mullins and Dorothy Irene Mullins.

Brother Herbert 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 Mt. Parin Church. Here he refreshed his soul often with his brothers and sisters, rejoicing in the salvation of his Master. Brother Herbert was a deacon in church. He was loved by everyone who knew him. So, on July 10, 1981, he fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. Left to mourn their loss is his wife, Sallie, thirteen children, thirteen grandchildren, three

brothers and six sisters. So children, if you want to see Daddy again, you have to pray to the same God Dad did. Let's not let the circle be unbroken. Prepare to meet Daddy where you will never have to part any more.

Written by his nephew,
Landis Everage

DIXON MILLER



With much sadness, we will try, by the help of God, to write a short sketch of a dear brother and Dad, Dixon Miller. He was born into the home of Harvey and Sallie Fields Miller on September 14, 1914 and entered into eternal life November 14, 1980, making his stay on Earth 66 years and two months.

He grew up on Big Branch of Linefork, and in 1938 he met and married Lovell Combs.

To this union were born four children, two boys and two girls: Wanda Akemon, Skyline, Ky.; Marvin Miller, Linefork, Ky.; Dorothy Cornett, Linefork, Ky.; Donald Miller, Skyline, Ky.

He worked as a coal miner until he retired in 1978.

He took an inventory of his condition and found that he had to do something about it, or he was going down to a Devil's hell. So, he went to God with his whole heart and joined the Old Regular Baptist Church. He was baptized into the Defeated Creek Church and was a great light to everyone who knew him. He always found time to tell whoever he talked to about what a great Lord he was serving. He wanted all his friends and loved ones to meet his Lord and get to know Him, for He would do wonderful things for them.

He was a faithful member and loved to go to church. He would go everywhere he heard that there was church, until that dreadful disease struck him, and oh, how he did suffer the last few months of life. But he was so patient and never stopped praying for his children and friends, and telling them

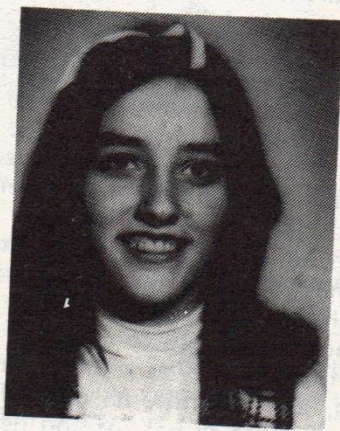
to do right so someday we would meet again in that lovely place called Heaven. I believe with all my heart he is there with all the other angels gone on before. We miss him in church. He was such a happy person when he would come way back to the back of the church house and hug everyone and shake their hand. He is missed so, and all the good things he could always find time to do.

He leaves to mourn: his sweet wife, who stood by him to the end and never complained -- we love her so much for that -- and his four children, who loved him so much for being the wonderful person he was. He was so sweet and kind and never complained of his sickness. He also left his only lonely brother left living, Venon Miller of Lexington, Indiana, fourteen grandchildren, and his friends and neighbors who loved him so much.

He told his sweet wife that he was ready and wished the good Lord would come and get him. So Dad, brother, and husband, we are going to miss you, but we feel like it won't be long until we will meet you again, in Heaven some sweet day. So sleep on for a few more days. (We love you so much.)

Written by his natural brother, Venon Miller, wife, Lovell Miller, and daughter, Dorothy Cornett

IVALEAN SLONE BLAIR



We ask the Lord to bless us as, with much sadness in our hearts, we will try to write the obituary of our daughter, Ivalean Slone Blair.

Ivalean was born July 24, 1955. She was 25 years, 5 months and 27 days when the Lord called her home.

Ivalean leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Venon Blair, and two daughters, Virginia Lynn, age four, and Matilda Ann, 2½ months. She

also leaves her parents, Edgle and Claudia Slone, one sister, Pamela Moore of Mallie, Kentucky, three nieces and two nephews, and her grandmother, Susie Slone, at the Knott County Nursing Home.

Ivalean felt the need for Christ in her life, and at the age of 15 she joined the Caney Baptist Church and followed with baptism.

Ivalean was well-liked by all who knew her. Ivalean still believed the "old time religion" was the best way, and she really lived it the best she could. She held fast to what she was taught.

She loved old people, and spent many nights away from home caring for her grandma and grandpa. Her grandpa got sick one night and she walked about a half-mile to get us at 3:00 in the morning. She was eight years old at the time.

We believe with all our hearts that she is resting in the arms of Jesus, and that some day soon we will all be together again. We pray that the Lord will help us to care for her two beautiful girls, and we can tell them what a wonderful mama she was and how much she loved them.

To all her friends and relatives who do not know what a dear friend Jesus is, just reach out, He is there waiting to lead you to that beautiful home He went away to prepare for us.

Written by her broken-hearted parents,
Claudia and Edgle Slone

WILLIAM C. BROWN



"Man that was born of woman is of a few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth as a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth as a shadow, and continueth not; but man dieth and wastieth away, yea, he giveth up the Ghost, and where is He, there the wicked cease from troubling and there the weary be at rest."

Job said, "if a man dieth, shall he live again, all the

days of my appointed time, I will wait till my change comes, thou shalt call and I will answer thee; thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hand." So was Bro. William C. Brown. He was the son of Dock F. Brown and Harriett Brown. He was born at Crown, Letcher County, Kentucky, January 1, 1898, and he passed from this life at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville, Ky., March 23, 1981, making his stay here on Earth 83 years, two months and seventeen days.

Early in life he met and married a sweet and a good little woman, whose name was Callie Mullins Brown. They united August 31, 1923, and lived a happy and devoted life together. To this union was born one daughter, Mrs. Mable Brown Owens, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Bro. William C. Brown was a retired merchant, having operated a business at Whitesburg, Letcher County, Ky., and for a number of years after that, having run a general store in Jeff, Perry County, Ky.

Several years ago, and at last, Bro. William C. Brown saw the need of a saviour, and he began to seek the Lord for mercy. And, at the Lord's time. He looked down from Heaven and said, "Well done my good and faithful servant and loving child, you are freely forgiven. Now go home to your friends and tell them what great things the Lord has done for thee." So, September 6, 1969, he came home to the Happy Home Church, telling the Brothers and Sisters how the Lord had saved him from that awful burning lake where people die, and never die, but suffer, and never die. The church gladly received him, and he was baptized September 7, 1969. He did live a devoted life until death.

He is survived by his wife, Callie Brown; one daughter, Mable Brown Owens of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one sister, Pearly Cornett, Whitesburg, Ky.; one brother, James Brown, Frankfort, Ky.; three grandchildren; a large congregation of Brothers and Sisters in the church, and many friends and relatives who mourn his passing. So, now to all his friends and relatives, Bro. William C. Brown is gone home to live with Jesus forever. Now, if you want to ever see Bro. William C. Brown again, you must do as he did, fall out with sin and look to Jesus. He will be pleased to take you in.

So farewell you all,
Bro. McKinley McIntosh and Bro. Lewis Craft

OLUS BALDRIDGE



As I sit here all alone this evening, with many heartaches and sorrows, yet many sweet memories to look upon, I will try to write an obituary of my loving husband, Olus Baldridge. He was born September 3, 1913, and passed from this life August 16, 1980, at the Prestonsburg Hospital in an emergency. His stay here on Earth was 66 years, 11 months and 13 days. One son preceded him in death.

Olus was the son of Elder Charlie Baldridge and Allie Maggard Baldridge. Early in life he met and married Deletha Owens. They were united May 9, 1936. Deletha was the daughter of Jeff Owens and Rachel Owens.

Olus leaves to mourn their loss his wife, Deletha Baldridge; three daughters: Bettie Sue Watts, Linda Maggard and Brenda Combs; three sons-in-law: Ray Watts, Mosses Maggard and Randlee Combs; seven grandchildren, one great-granddaughter; one sister, Joyce Harrison, Louisville, Ky.; his Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, and many friends and relatives. To know Olus was to love him; he loved everyone. I was with him for 44 years and I never heard him say a harmful word about anyone. If he couldn't say anything good, he didn't say anything.

Olus joined the New Home Church of Old Regular Baptist in November, 1950. He was ordained a minister of God in November, 1954. He was a faithful servant. Through the years I have seen him get out and go when he was so sick, but he never complained; the church was his life.

In 1972 he had both legs amputated at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington, Ky. His suffering was great, but he bore it with patience. He would never complain. He would always say, "I am glad to be among the living." He was a wonderful husband and a good father, and he worked hard

to support his family. He was always ready to help his friends any way he could. We loved him so much, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

All our children and grandchildren, when they had any questions, would come to Daddy and Papaw. He always had an answer, and they would go away satisfied. I stood by his bed for eighty-seven days and nights. I was always glad to see the dawn of another day, that he had made it through another night. I know there was a hand reaching down to help him, and also the prayers of his brothers and sisters and many friends kept him with us the past year. He was very sick the last two months. I could see him going, day by day. He was in a wheel chair. The last words I heard him say were, "Oh, Lord, if I could just go on and get out of this suffering." I feel he is not suffering anymore; he is resting around the throne of God. I could go on writing, but could never put down on paper what a wonderful person he was. I want to say to his children and grandchildren, "If you want to see Daddy and Papaw again, fall out with sin, and walk in his footsteps, and you will see him again, where we will never have to say good-bye anymore."

Brother Olus Baldrige also served the Pilgrim Home Church as their moderator for several years. He also served a Regular Baptist Church up in Indianapolis, Indiana, and the New Home Church for nine years as their moderator. He also served the Indian Bottom Association for eleven years, nine years as clerk.

He has been a great teacher and a great man to work with. I feel that if he could look back down here, here is what he would say. "My brethren all, I bid adieu. In time . . . I'll never more see you, but soon we'll meet above."

Written by his good wife, Sister Deletha Baldrige,
and Bro. McKinley McIntosh, a Brother-in-Hope

TROY SHEPHERD



Troy Shepherd was born July 19, 1894, at Welchburg in Jackson County, Kentucky. He died December 7, 1968, at the age of seventy-four years, four months and nineteen days.

He was the son of R.C. Shepherd and Lourania Hall Shepherd.

He is survived by his wife, Della Nolan Shepherd, and six children. The children are: Morris Shepherd, Fisty, Ky.; Joyce Cornett, Gordon, Ky.;

Frances Kinard, Michigan; Gladys Pachecko, Michigan; Charles Shepherd, Gordon, Ky.; and David Shepherd of Walton, Ky. He now has eighteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. One sister, Mary Dixon, is still living.

He was baptized into the full fellowship of the Poor Fork Old Regular Baptist Church on July 19, 1930. He later came by letter to the Hurricane Gap Old Regular Baptist near his home in Gordon, Kentucky. He began preaching in the 1940's and preached for some twenty-odd years. He believed in living a close life. He always prayed for everyone and forgave those that trespassed against him.

The Lord gave him a vision of his death and told him he had to die, but it would be made easy. In this vision he felt the mighty hands of the Lord lifting him up. He said, "I dread to leave my family, but you can all meet me in Heaven." While in the hospital he had a severe heart attack and said, "Children, you shouldn't weep about this, you should rejoice." He also told those present to try to meet him in Heaven, for he had a beautiful place to go to.

We hope all his children and relatives will remember the good counsel he gave them and live close to the Lord.

We will close this obituary by saying to his children and all men to repent of their sins and meet him in a better world.

Written by Della Shepherd and children

DAISY MAE HARPER AMBURGEY



Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his saints, and we can surely say this about this, our dear Mother and Sister in the Lord, to wit: Daisey Mae Harper Amburgey.

She was born March 24, 1914 in Knott County, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Orvill and Polly Ann Harper. She deceased this life for her bright eternal home Saturday evening, August 2, 1981. God blessed Sister Daisey to live

upon His good Earth 67 years, 4 months and 7 days, bringing much joy and happiness to those she met along life's pathway.

On April 26, 1919, she became a faithful and devoted wife to the late Jasper Amburgey, a boyhood sweetheart of her native Knott County. Together, they shared life's heartaches and disappointments, joys, pleasures and happiness for over 51 years. She was left so lonely by the death of Bro. Jasper on May 16, 1980. They were blessed with four sons: Ivel and O.J. preceded her in death. Two sons are left to mourn the loss of a loving and caring mother; they are Arthur and Jackie of Charlestown, Indiana. Also left are four daughters: Ruie, Mrs. Orbin Collins, of Burlington, Ky.; Lola, Mrs. Wallas Whitlow, and Opal, Mrs. Dennis Bostock, both of Charlestown, Indiana; and Violet, Mrs. Robert Asbury, of New Albany, Indiana; twenty grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, who will miss the love and affection of a lovely grandmother; two brothers, Wilson and Bill; and one sister, Mrs. Gladys Slone, all of Knott County.

In the year of 1959 Sister Daisy gave her hand to become a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church. Her membership was with the Big Creek Church, Indian Bottom Association. For twenty-two years she lived a quiet, humble life. Her dress was modest, her talk was Godly, and her desire was to let her light shine -- not for her glory and honor, but all to the

glory and honor of God. Oh, if other mothers in Israel would pattern their lives after Sister Daisy. Very quiet, yet kind and gentle. I have seen her rejoice in the God of her salvation many times in church. I never went to her humble home but what she would offer you something to eat, and before you left she would ask for prayer. She was so rich in the Lord, yet never boastful. One never heard Sister Daisy say, "I am a Christian," or "I belong to a church." Her walks and her everyday life proved that she was different from the world and that she had drunk from the fountain that never runs dry.

On Saturday before she passed away, Brother Paul and I visited her in the hospital. She asked for prayer and wanted us to sing. Bless that food that is satisfying to a hungry soul. All day long Saturday, the day of her flight home, she talked to Brother Arthur and Ruie of Jesus. She told them she loved them, and she was going home. Bless that morning when we will see Sister Daisy again. . . when that frail body that housed her soul here will be free of worry and pain. She walked humble here. I feel she will take the wings of the morning and fly to Heaven, sweet Heaven, to ever be with the Lord. The pride of life, society and the ways of the world never bothered Sister Daisy. Her delight was in serving the Lord.

To you, her dear children, please remember the life your dear mother lived and try to pattern your life after her. Say not good-bye, just a little while, Mom; and if we serve the same God you did, and receive a new birth in Christ, we will meet again in the Heaven you now enjoy.

Your humble servant, Bro. Hillard Newsome

STELLA NAPIER

I feel very sad and lonely as I write about the best and sweetest mother anyone will ever have, Stella Napier. I miss her as much today as the day she was called to meet the Lord. I know there will always be a sad, empty feeling inside me each time I think of my precious mother. My heart will always ache when I think I will never again in this world see her sweet little face, or hear the voice I love so well. I know all the other children feel the same.

Mom was born June 12, 1913, and died October 24, 1975. She was married to Andrew Napier, who died October 23, 1960. Seven children survive: Beatrice Combs, Franklin, Ohio; Virginia Williams, Carlisle, Ohio; Glenna Ritchie, Carrie, Ky.; Minnie Wolford, Talcum, Ky.; Anna Ritchie, Talcum, Ky.; Donald Ray Napier, Bearville, Ky.; Billy Roger Napier, Bearville, Ky. Her mother, Arminda Ritchie, three sisters, Tona Short, Sylvania Cornett and Luna Combs; three brothers, Marcus Ritchie, Sam Ritchie and Odis Ritchie, and eighteen grandchildren also survive.

She joined the Bethlehem Church in 1958 the fourth Saturday in November, 1958. I thank God for giving all us children a wonderful mother like ours. Mom always taught her children a deep and abiding faith in the Lord. She would always tell us to never lie, steal or do anything wrong. She always said she wanted all her children to do right and live right. I would not trade the way I was raised for all the money in this old world. Mom loved everyone with all her sweet, gentle heart. When anyone said or did anything to hurt her, she would say, "I forgive them and I still love them." She had a great love for little children and all children who knew her loved her, too. All the neighborhood children called her Aunt Stella. She was never too busy to talk to them. When the children came to see her she would always hug them and ask how they were. she would sit down and talk to them just like she did the adults that came to visit her. Mom loved all her friends and neighbors. If any of them had troubles of any kind, she always worried about them. She would say, "I hope and pray everything will go all right for them." If Mom had anything anyone needed, she would never turn them down. I have often heard her say she wished she could do more for everyone. Mom loved for people to visit her, and when anyone came to see her they would not be there for long until she had someone in the kitchen cooking for them. She never wanted anyone to leave her home without eating a meal with her.

I remember at Mom's funeral hearing one of the ministers, Silas Williams, say God gave Mom a heart filled with love for everyone and I know this is true. First of all, Mom loved her church and all the Brothers and Sisters in the church. Mom

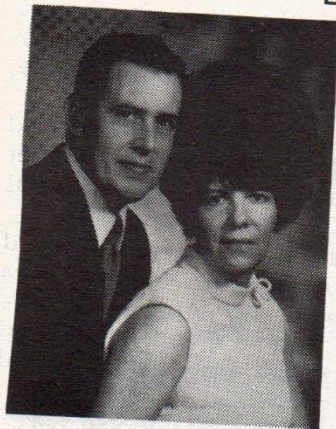
was a good and faithful member in her church, and if anyone said something she didn't think they should, she strongly defended her belief and her church. I want to say to all children everywhere who still have their mothers with them, do everything you can for her, show her you love her, treat her like the queen she is, for you will never know the heartache you will feel until she is gone and you have to go on without her. All I can do for my precious Mother now is never forget the things she taught me and pray to live my life the way she would want me to.

In church, the last Sunday before she went to be with God, she talked with God and told Him she was ready to come home.

I'm going to try to live each day the very best I can and with the help of God meet her in Heaven someday.

Written by her daughter, Beatrice Combs

LENA COMBS



Lena Combs was born December 2, 1928 in Tennessee, and died December 18, 1980. She is survived by her husband, Watson Combs, and her son, Frankie Combs, of Sassafras, Ky.; her mother, Maude I. McIntosh of Carrs Fork, Ky.; and brothers, Robert Jeffers of Allock, Ky., and Kenneth Jeffers and Jack Jeffers of Lexington, Ky.

She was a member of the Little Dove Church of Jesus Christ. Precious in the eyes

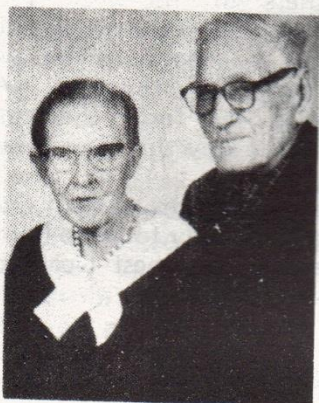
of God is the death of his children. There is a natural love and a Godly love and Lena was surely blessed to have both. She was a loving and devoted wife and mother, but she also spread a friendship to all she came in contact with.

When we feel joy -- see sunshine -- know happiness -- let us think of Lena and the love she gave to the ones around her.

May the family take their sorrow to the bosom of God, for He cares for you.

Wilbur Combs

CORDELIA TAYLOR



Cordelia Taylor was born, raised and lived her life out here in the beautiful hills of Knott County. She was the daughter of Harden Caudill and Mary Slone Caudill

On August 28, 1919, she was married to Jeff Mullins, and to this union three daughters were born; Emma Jacobs of Portage, Indiana and Ollie Craft and Ello Reynolds of Mallie, Ky.

She was then widowed and in early 1930's she was married to Oliver Richardson. To this union two daughters were born: Mary Perkins, LaGrange, Indiana, and Lettie Hammond, Mallie, Kentucky.

Shortly she was again widowed, and then met and married Ambrose Jay Taylor July 10, 1944. To this union one daughter was born, Mercedes Slone, who still lives at the homeplace at Mallie.

Besides her six daughters, six step-children survive: Howard Richardson, Lillie Bark, Elvert Taylor, Willis Taylor, Clova Campbell and Lona Madden. She is also survived by one sister, Verdie Huff, Hindman, Ky., a host of grand, great-grand and great-great-grandchildren, and many, many relatives and friends.

She joined the Reynolds Fork Church many years ago. There, along side Ambrose Jay, she served as deacon until death called him away on October 27, 1975. She was a faithful member as long as her health permitted.

Cordelia was born August 7, 1899 and passed from this life June 10, 1980, making her stay here on earth 81 years, 10 months and 3 days.

Mother is gone, but will never be forgotten. She was a good wife to my father, a good mother to us girls, and a good friend to all who knew her.

The sweetest place on earth
That I had ever been
Was in the arms of my dear Mother
Where I can never be again.

The pale horse and his rider
Came and took Mother away.
The time had come for her to go,
She could no longer stay.

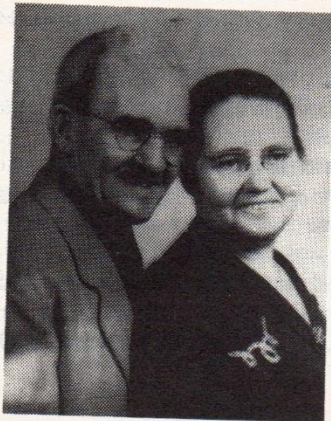
She looked toward the heavens
Her eyes so full of love
She said, "I hear Jesus."
It was coming from above.

She left her six daughters
That she loved and prayed for each day.
She left an old-time shouting sister
As the Death Angel carried her away.

I know we'll always miss Mother
Someday our hearts may mend
We'll always remember her love
Memories linger 'till the end.

Written by her daughter, Mercedes Slone

FRANK AND EVA RITCHIE FUGATE



Eva Ritchie Fugate was born in June, 1902, and died in May, 1962. She was the daughter of Lee and Elizabeth Ritchie of Talcum, Kentucky. She has two sisters living: Sadie Terry of Talcum, Ky., and Parrott Combs of Louisville, Ky.

She was married to Frank Fugate in 1917 and to this union ten children were born. Four preceded her in death. Six children were living: Sam

Lee and Henley, all of Fisty, Ky.; Chester of Bellville, Michigan; Ann Yonts of Loraine, Ohio; and Mabel Shepherd of Fisty, Kentucky. Sam Fugate died in 1979.

Eva and Frank joined the Clear Creek Church in 1932, and were baptizeded together. Eva was a true and faithful member there until her death.

Mother was strong in the Old Regular Baptist Faith and Order and lived an humble and good life before her children, her neighbors, and her neighbors' children. Her desire was that her children could get along in this life, and that they would repent of their sins and meet her in Heaven.

Frank Fugate was born in December of 1893 at Talcum, Kentucky. He died in March of 1978. He was the son of Sam and Anna Combs Fugate.

He joined the army in December of 1915 and was discharged in 1917.

Dad and Mom loved their children very much. He joined the Clear Creek Old Regular Baptist Church in 1932 and stayed there until 1970, when he left there and went to Clear Fork Church and remained there until death.

Dad was ordained to preach on May 15, 1935. We still have his ordination papers presented to him by the church.

Dad was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel during his life. In 1976, he was voted by the Bicentennial Committee of Knott County as being one of the two outstanding men in Knott County over the age of 55.

During the forty-three years of his ministry, Dad touched the lives of many people in Knott and Perry Counties. He and Mom had so much love to give to everyone, and they received love in return.

When he died he requested no flowers, and for people to donate to the church instead. \$1,200.00 was given to the Clear Fork Church by the people who wanted to buy flowers.

Dad and Mom loved everyone, and always prayed for their enemies. They told their family to always be good to other people and to never speak ill of anyone.

Dad had a gift for counseling and teaching as the Bible says. He had a very deep understanding of God's Holy Word.

I miss them so much, and I have dreamed sweet dreams about them many times. I feel I can meet them in Heaven now.

My sister told me she is ready to meet with them also. I sincerely hope that if my brothers haven't made peace with Jesus, they will before it is too late. I pray they will be ready to meet Jesus on that homecoming day, when He calls His children together, so we can all meet Dad and Mother in Heaven where all is peace and joy forevermore for those who love and serve Him. There will be no envy, no strife, no confusion, nor pain, death or sorrow.

Written by a daughter, Mabel Shepherd

OLA MOSLEY



United we stand, divided we fall. . .

By the request of Sister Ola Mosley during her lifetime, and request of some and the will of all her children, I will try to write an obituary of her latter years in this life.

Sister Ola was the daughter of General Lee and Sister Dellie Slone. In her early life she married Cephus Mosley, and to this union were born twelve children; five boys: Ellis, Taulby, Alonzo, Leroy and James Edward; seven girls: Elsa Mae, Lorane, Norcie Marie, Betty Glen, Dorthy, Flossie and Lovella. Her husband, Brother Cephus Mosley, and one daughter preceded her in death.

She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church (Little Home) in the year of 1945 and came to the Mosley Memorial Church (now Ivy Point) in 1949, and lived a good life until death.

She told my good wife, Sister Gracie Mosley, not long before she died, that if she out-lived her, to have their pictures put in the minutes together.

Brother Cephus Mosley didn't have a gold wedding band to put on her finger, but the golden chain that bonded their hearts together kept them together until death did part. Sister Ola was dearly loved by her children and many friends. Brother

Cephus and Sister Ola Mosley reared up a good family of children whom they loved and adored, and likewise the children loved and adored Mommy and Daddy.

Brother Cephus and Sister Ola joined the church in 1945 and my good wife and I joined later. My wife joined in 1947 and I joined in 1946.

We all were so close together that it seemed as though we were natural brothers and sisters. My children and grandchildren loved Bro. Cephus and Sister Ola so much. My little granddaughter, Shiela, loved Sister Ola so well. She cried and talked about how good and kind Sister Ola was to her.

May God bless Bro. Cephus and Sister Ola's children and loved ones. And may the God of Heaven that blessed me to write this, bless me and my family and the churches He has set up, and bless His people everywhere.

Written by Lee Mosley and his dearly-beloved wife, Gracie

LOVEL CAUDILL



It is with humble and contrite hearts that we announce the death of our dear father and companion, Lovel Caudill. Lovel entered our world on May 6, 1924, of his loving parents, Cindy and Ike Caudill, in Jeremiah, Kentucky.

Our Lord offered His home to him on June 2, 1981, while at his residence in Cincinnati, Ohio. Lovel was 57 years and 27 days old when he began his new life in Christ's presence.

Lovel met his dedicated wife, Gracie Adams, at Redfox, Kentucky, located in Knott County. Inspired by love, they joined as one in God's sight on January 1, 1947. In October 1954 Lovel and Gracie were baptized together into our Lord's service at Blair Branch Church. He dedicated the remainder of his life to performing the wishes that God bestowed upon him as a model father. He worked hard to better the life of

his family. It was during this time, in 1974, when he became permanently disabled while working as a mechanic for Sears Roebuck and Company. Lovel left six brothers: Lott, Lowell, David, Dorse, Donald and Ikie. He met his brother Lawrence. He also left three sisters: Delta, Dana and Deloris.

His five children, Gary, Larry, Lovel, Barry and Darlene can keep him alive only in their memories, which they will cherish forever.

Written by his son-in-law, Louis M. Blank

I have always found Brother Lovel to be a true and faithful brother in and out of the church, and a close brother in love with everybody who came in contact with him. He would always meet me and my companion at the door of his home with a pleasing smile, as would his dear companion, Sister Gracie. My wife misses his calls when he would talk on the phone to me. He was a person you could depend upon anytime. The day before he passed away, he called and said, "Everything living must die." In his last days he seemed to be be very happy in the Lord.

Written by Brother Cleon Combs and wife

My prayer to God is that our children will take Dad's advice and make peace with God and meet him in a far better world than this, where parting never comes. I'll meet Lovel again and Heaven is sweeter now, thank God Jesus is helping me bear the burden and pain.

Written by Gracie Caudill, his wife

A TRIBUTE TO LOVEL CAUDILL

by his friend, Rev. Willie Booth

LOVEL

L Love -- For the brethren. 1 John 3:14 "we know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

For his church and the Word of God.

For his family and neighbors. For his children.

He was a man that knew and showed the love of God.

O Others -- Jesus first, yourself last, and others in between. He thought of others, their feelings, their desires, their needs. Whatever touched others, touched Bro. Lovel. He took time for children. My little girl is 8 years old and she loved him. Why? Because he took time to speak and smile and laugh. He took time for others.

V Victory in Jesus -- 1 Cor. 15:54-55 "So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" O Victory in Jesus, my savior forever. He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood. He loved me ere I knew Him and all my love is due Him. He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood. Victory only comes after the battle has been fought. If there is no battle, there is no victory. For many years our brother has been in battle, but today, the blood-stained banner of our Lord is unfurled and he has conquered death. And Satan has received a wound. For Bro. Lovel is standing tonight victoriously with Jesus Christ. The battle is over and the sound of the swords clashing can be heard no more. The river of death has been crossed and he stands in the presence of God.

E Eternal -- There is a part of a man that will never die. Nothing else living possesses it. It is the soul. That is one part that goes back to the God that gave it. Many people take care of the body, but few take care of the soul. Bro. Lovel took care of the soul. His body was wracked with pain and he suffered much in the past years, but the soul was prepared for the journey and is the ETERNAL part. His soul lives today with God. Mark 8:36 "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

L Loyal, Loved, Longing -- He was loyal to his family and loved them dearly. He was a faithful husband and a loving

father. He had a longing to see his Savior, and God must have felt the same way, for He took him and fulfilled that longing. Psalm 63:1 - 7 "O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee; my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; to see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary. Because thy loving kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips; when I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches. Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice."

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.

3. 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.

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

6. We believe in the perseverance 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

11. The names of the several members of the Association

shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called as often as the Association may require.

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

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

CONSTITUTION

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

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

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

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

4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical 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.

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

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

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

11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund for defraying the 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 responsible 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 from the orthodox principals of religion; admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association and adjourn to any time or place it may deem necessary.

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LITTLE DOVE	Ivan Amburgey, John Preece, Merle Smith
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BIG CREEK	Earl Cox, Clyde Shepherd
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Cedar Grove	12	0	0	1	2	2	0	138	4	\$250.00
New Home	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	71	2	50.00
Defeated Creek	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	28	2	100.00
Reynolds Fork	3	0	0	0	1	2	2	47	3	85.00
Bull Creek	6	3	0	0	0	8	0	55	3	50.00
Ivy Point	3	2	0	1	1	1	0	39	4	25.00
Little Dove	14	1	1	0	2	1	1	138	2	250.00
Tolson Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	4	100.00
Dixon Memorial	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	45	4	100.00
Big Creek	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	27	4	125.00
Happy Home	0	6	0	0	1	0	0	31	1	75.00
New Bethlehem	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	30	3	65.00
Clear Fork	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	22	1	60.00
Northern New Home	7	3	0	0	2	0	1	65	4	100.00
Blair Branch	1	2	0	6	1	0	0	72	3	175.00
Mt. Olivet	4	2	0	5	2	6	0	151	1	250.00
Little Zion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	4	30.00
Rose of Sharon	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	2	50.00
Hurricane Gap	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	19	3	50.00
Kingdom Come	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	23	1	25.00
Poor Fork	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	1	50.00
Lydia	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	40.00
Big Cowan	7	2	1	0	0	0	14	55	4	100.00
Total	78	35	3	14	19	26	23	1159		\$2205.00

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 compose the _____ Association, when convened, assembled and in session at our Association House and Headquarters, Sassafras, 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:

DELEGATES	ALTERNATES
1 _____	4 _____
2 _____	5 _____
3 _____	6 _____

Dear Brethren, receive our letter and these Brethren to sit 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
 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

Brother _____, Clerk

Clerk's Address _____

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