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Ninety-Sixth Annual Session
of the
**Indian Bottom
Association**
of
Old Regular Baptist Churches
of
Jesus Christ



Held at the
Indian Bottom Association Building
Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky
September 6, 7 and 8, 1991

Hosted By:
Little Dove Church
Little Bethlehem Church
Clear Fork Church
Hurricane Gap Church

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A Tribute To The Deceased Elders of the Indian Bottom Association



Lewis Lucas



Powers Caudill



Wilson Cornett

"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine."

Their voices have grown silent, yet the fruits of their diligent labor continue to prosper. As their race came to a victorious finish, surely they could say, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

"For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required."

We, the Indian Bottom Association, would like to express our gratitude for the dedication and hard work of Brother McKinley McIntosh. He was a church clerk for thirty years and an Assistant Clerk of the Indian Bottom Association for eleven years. We will always remember his years of service.



McKinley McIntosh

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**Friday, September 6, 1991 and
the two following days**

The Indian Bottom Association, being in session, assembled at our Association Building at Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky, Friday, September 6, 1991 and the two following days. Being hosted by the Little Dove, Clear Fork, Little Bethlehem and Hurricane Gap churches, the Association met in the congregational department of the Association Building for preaching services. After lifting our voices to our Lord and Master, Elder Donald Collins introduced the service and led in prayer.

After the introduction and prayer had been rendered, Elder Harvey Creech, who had been chosen by the delegates of the ninety-fifth session of our Association to preach the introductory sermon of this ninety-sixth session, came to the pulpit and preached a soul-inspiring 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 upon Elder Ellis Holbrook to come to the pulpit. Elder Holbrook rendered a warm, spiritual sermon. After a song, Elder Frank O'Quinn humbly led in prayer.

The Association, now being assembled, was called to order by Elder Elwood Cornett, the Moderator. He appointed a finance committee to wit: Johnny Walters, L.D. Mosley and Lonnie Gregory. Then he 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 Little Dove 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 regular 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 Jim Fields - Asst. Moderator
 - Bro. Glenn Hampton - Clerk
 - Elder Don Pratt - Asst. Clerk
3. The Moderator called for newly constituted churches desiring to take up fellowship with us. None responded.
4. Churches of our same faith and order who desired fellowship were called for. The Garden of Love Church presented a letter. The letter was read and by a move and second, with no objection, the letter was received, the delegates were seated, and the letter referred to the Committee on Arrangements.
5. By a move and second with no objection, the reading of the Articles of Faith, the Constitution, and the Rules of Decorum was omitted, but ordered to be printed in the minutes.
6. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Ministry composed of one delegate from each church with the entire delegation from the Little Dove Church to arrange the preaching services for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning.
7. The Moderator called for corresponding associations of our same faith and order who desired to correspond with us. The following associations responded with letters, delegates, and files of minutes.
 - A. **New Salem:** Ellis Holbrook, Walter Akers, Grover Adkins, Coy Combs, Monroe Jones, Freddy Kidd, Norman Conn, Jimmy Hall, Woodrow Dye, Teddy Honaker, Dexter Dixon,

Clinton Moore, Glen Akers, Forest D. Hall, C.B. Smith, Clivan Caudill, Glenn Hall, Hobart Bates, Tom Adams, Bobby Whitaker, Lee Fields, Roger Hicks, Zee Holbrook, Benton Caudill, Estill Slone, Hiram Adkins, Earl Slone, Jerry Manns, Hershel Jones

B. Union: John Morgan Mullins, Fon Bowling, Jesse Lee Williamson, Franklin O'Quinn, Jessie Viers, Ellis Amburgey, Paul McClanahan, James O'Quinn, Willie Hamilton, Albert Hamilton, Paul Hampton, Hezekiah Osborne, Bill Hall, Sam Erwin, Barry Lucas, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Dallas Ramsey, Bill Ison, Herman West, Johnny Edwards, Dewey Sexton, Billy R. Jones, Amos Bartley, Frank M. Coleman, Frank Soward, Clyde Blankenship, Follis Elgar, Clarence Piersall, Terry Bryant, Tennis Sturgill, Savel Combs, Vernon Damron, Chester Allen, Edwin Spear, Paul Johnson, David O'Quinn, Ival Coleman, James McClanahan, Frank Newsome.

8. The Moderator called for transient members and ministers and none responded.
9. By a move and second with no objection, the Moderator was directed to make all temporary appointments.
10. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Arrangements which was to be the same as the Committee on Ministry with the exception that the Little Dove church should have only one delegate together with the Association Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, transients and the entire delegation from the corresponding associations to meet Friday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. to arrange the business for Saturday.
11. The Committee on Ministry made the following report for preaching services:

Friday Afternoon: Woodrow Dye, Paul McClanahan

Saturday Morning: Frank O'Quinn, Grover Adkins, Fon Bowling

12. 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 Alonzo Mosley, who was well blessed to sing two songs. Prayer was rendered by Elder Monroe Jones. Elder Paul McClanahan preached a heart-warming sermon, after which the Committee arranged the work for Saturday.

Saturday Morning

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. After lifting our voices in singing praises to our Lord, Elder Elwood Cornett, our Moderator, welcomed everyone and called upon Elder Hiram Adkins to introduce the session. He humbly lifted our spirits high. Then Elder Adkins called upon Elder Dallas Ramsey to sing a hymn. After the hymn Elder Dallas led the entire delegation in prayer. As on the day of Pentecost, the entire delegation was moved to raise their hearts and voices in humble groans of prayer unto the Lord.

1. The Clerk called the roll and marked the absentees.
2. The report of the Committee on Arrangements was given. The work was approved and the Committee was discharged by a move and second with no objection.
3. The ministers chosen to preach on the stand were excused to go to the Congregational Department of the Association Building.
4. The Committee on finance reported a sum of \$3,390 collected from the various 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. The Clerk was to be Secretary/Treasurer; he was to have 3,500 copies of the minutes printed; and he was to receive \$50 for his services.
6. By a move and second, with no objection, the dates of the Union, communion, and Memorial services are to be printed in the minutes.

7. The Circular Letter was read by Bro. Gillis Reedy, who had been chosen by the 1990 session to write one for approval by the Association this year. By a move and second, with no objection, the letter was warmly received and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

8.

A. The committee on Ministry, being the same as on Friday, chose the following ministers to fill the stand on Sunday, to wit: coy Combs, Hiram Adkins, Frank Newsome and Elwood Cornett.

B. The Committee on Ministry chose H.B. Reedy, Sr. to preach the Introductory Sermon for the 1992 session of the Association and L.D. Mosley to be his alternate.

C. The Committee on Ministry chose Joe Steeley to write a Circular Letter for approval in 1992.

9. By a move and second with no objection, obituaries are to be printed in the minutes with a \$10 fee for printing pictures. All obituaries are to be typed, double spaced.

10. The Treasurer's report was given. By a move and second with on objection the report was received. The report was as follows:

Balance on hand 9/1/90	\$8,171.00
Church Contributions	3,465.00
Pictures	485.00
Interest	410.80
Total in Treasury	\$12,531.80

Expenses:

Printing Minutes	\$4,375.00
Safety Deposit Box	40.00
Typing Permanent Record	25.00
Total Expenses	\$4,440.00

Balance in Treasury 9/7/91	\$8,091.80
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11. By a move and second, with no objection, it was agreed to correspond with the New Salem and Union Associations and the Clerk was directed to prepare letters to the same.

A. **New Salem:** To begin on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1991, at Minnie, Floyd County, Kentucky, at their Association Building, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Euell Ratliff, John P. Eldridge, Elwood Cornett, John Preece, Ray Fields, Ivan Amburgey, Chester Gibson, Harvey Creech, L.P. Sumpter, L.D. Mosley, Clifford Hughes, Danny Dixon, Agnan Back, Lonnie Gregory, Clark Hays, H.B. Reedy Sr., Earl Mosley, Merle Smith, Don Pratt, Milburn Slone, Jim Fields, Taylor Watson, Jesse Bryant, Dennie Amburgey, Roy Slone, Glenn Hampton, H.B. Reedy, Jr.

B. **Union:** To begin on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1991, at their Association Building at Ashcamp, Pike County, Kentucky, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Euell Ratliff, John P. Eldridge, Elwood Cornett, John Preece, Ray Fields, Ivan Amburgey, Chester Gibson, Harvey Creech, L.P. Sumpter, L.D. Mosley, Danny Dixon, Clifford Hughes, Agnan Back, Lonnie Gregory, Monroe Bailey, Clark Hays, Green Watts, Eugene Wilder, John W. Reedy, H.B. Reedy, Sr., Don Pratt, Jim Fields, Taylor Watson, Jesse Bryant, Dennie Amburgey, Roy Slone, Merle Smith, Glenn Hampton, H.B. Reedy, Jr.

In response to the concerns voiced by the moderator of our corresponding associations, many issues were discussed by the delegates of the Indian Bottom Association. At the request of some of the Indian Bottom brothers, our Moderator advised the moderators of the churches of the Indian Bottom Association to ask their sisters to let their hair grow, to ask their brothers not to wear their hair long, and to ask that brothers and sisters adorn themselves in modest apparel.

12. The Treasurer of the Trustees gave his report. By a move and second, with no objection, the report was approved and ordered to be printed in the minutes. The report is as follows:

Balance in the Treasury 9/1/90\$3,112.66

Collections:

Church Contributions6,982.00
 Sunday Services848.70
 Donations430.91
 Concession Stand36.00
Total in Treasury\$11,410.27

Expenses:

Kitchen\$1,850.61
 Supplies731.72
 Utilities869.00
 Payment on Loan3,000.00
 Interest on Loan480.08
 Labor593.00
 Insurance959.00
Total Expenses\$8,483.41

Balance in Treasury 9/7/91\$2,926.86

13. The request from the Tolson Creek Church to host the 1992 session of the Association, along with the assistance of the Mount Olivett Church, was read. By a move and second, with no objection, the request was granted.
14. The request from the Mt. Zion Church to change their Communion Meeting from the second Sunday in August to the second Sunday in May was read. By a move and second, with no objection, the request was granted.
15. The Moderator appointed the same Committee on Council as last year to serve the following year, to wit: Don Pratt, Chairman, H.B. Reedy, Jr., John Preece, Roger Gibson, Bill Moore, Harve Creech and Toby Breeding.

The 1990 Association had directed the Committee on Council to study the concern of taking young children into the church. The Committee proposed the following guidelines: The Indian Bottom Association does not believe in baptizing children, nor do we know the absolute age at which a person becomes a sinner. However, the Association advises its churches that those children of a preteen age, who offer an experience of grace and desire church membership, shall be placed under church watchcare for a minimum of six months before being taken into full fellowship and baptized.

By a move and second, with no objection, the guidelines were adopted.

16. The report of the committee on Council regarding their work with the Garden of Love Church was read by the chairman of the committee. By a move and second, with no objection, the Garden of Love Church was accepted into the Indian Bottom Association and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship.
17. By a move and second, with no objection, the clerks were directed to write a Resolution of Appreciation to the host churches for hosting the 1991 session of the Association.
18. By a move and second, with no objection, the clerks were directed to write a tribute to the deceased elders of the Association; to write a tribute to Bro. McKinley McKintosh for his years of service as Assistant Clerk of the Association, and to write a tribute to Elder Baxter Osborne for his loyal love and friendship.
19. By a move and second, with no objection, the reading of the minutes was omitted.
20. By a move and second, with no objection, we adjourned until the 1992 session of the Indian Bottom Association convenes on September 4, 1992. Elder Carl Back then came to the podium. He was blessed to speak a few words, then he humbly led us in prayer.
- Elder Elwood Cornett - Moderator
 Elder Jim Fields - Asst. Moderator
 Brother Glenn Hampton - Clerk
 Elder Don Pratt - Asst. Clerk

Sunday, September 8, 1991

As the closing day of the ninety-sixth session of the Indian Bottom Association began, we lifted our joyful voices in the praises of Zion. The congregation was warmly welcomed by our Moderator, Elder Elwood Cornett. Elder I.D. Back introduced the services and led in an humble prayer of thanksgiving. Elder Marvin Hall then came to the stand and was blessed to proclaim that all mankind should strive to "Build on the Rock." Elder Hiram Adkins followed with a moving sermon on "Working for the Lord." Elder Elwood Cornett came forth to close the services and was wonderfully blessed to exhort upon the goodness of the Lord and His promised eternal "Payday." He then extended the privilege of accepting members but none responded. We rejoiced and embraced as we sang praises to our Lord, thus bringing to a close the ninety-sixth session of the Indian Bottom Association. Elder Jim Fields closed with prayer.

Tribute to Elder Baxter Osborne

We, the Indian Bottom Association, would like to express our deep love and respect for Elder Baxter Osborne. We share the feelings of loss with the Union Association and the Christian people everywhere. We shall always remember the love, kind support, good counsel and wonderful preaching of Bro. Baxter. His work shall not have been in vain; for he was loved and highly respected among us all, and will be long remembered by the Indian Bottom Association. May God comfort all who knew and loved him.

The Indian Bottom Association

Resolution of Appreciation

The Indian Bottom Association wishes to say a great big "thank you" to the Little Dove, Little Bethlehem, Clear Fork and Hurricane Gap

churches for a job well done in hosting the 1991 session of the Association. To each and every person who helped in any way, you are thanked and appreciated. For all the abundance of good food you so graciously prepared and served; for all the smiles, hand shakes, and embraces, you are complimented. For those who parked cars, carried food to the kitchen, cared for the bathrooms, ran the concession stand, or any other task, you are loved and appreciated. May God bless you four fold.

The Indian Bottom Association

Circular Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Indian Bottom Association,

Having been chosen by you at our 1990 session to write the circular letter for the 1991 session:

As I sat there in my seat and heard our moderator read my name, I said to myself, "This must have been a mistake, they have read the wrong name." I feel too little and weak to undertake such a great task as this is. With God's help, I will try to fill your request. I have been praying to my God for words to write. I pray that every word I say will be to His honor and glory and will help the cause, by saying something that may cause lost sinners to think of where their souls are headed after this life is over. We must make this choice here in this life while the blood is warm in our veins, for there is no repentance after death.

My brothers and sisters, I believe after God forgives people for the sins they have committed, they should walk and conduct themselves before the world as Christians. I have tried to be a light to my friends and brothers and sisters. We should be very careful how we conduct ourselves before God and our friends and neighbors.

My mind goes to what David wrote in Psalms I: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water that bringeth forth his fruit in his season, his leaf also shall not wither and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish."

We may fool man here on earth but we can't fool God for He knoweth all things.

Dear brothers and sisters, I have been trying to read and study the Bible for some time now. I have trusted that the good Lord would give me the words to say. As I sit here alone, feeling the goodness of the Lord, I believe I should close this letter for now, because I don't want to be too lengthy. May I close with the thought that is very heavy on my heart. I want to say, from my heart, that I appreciate our corresponding brothers and sisters. I have had the privilege and opportunity to have met and visited several of our corresponding churches. I love them from my heart.

My brothers and sisters, before the good Lord gave me the mind to try to write this letter, this little song kept coming to my mind. I have been trying to sing it all week long. I trust to His honor and glory. It reminds me of how He found me and how I feel now about the true King of all Kings. I will now attempt to sing it, I pray He will help me.

*Once I was clothed,
In the rags of my sins,
Was wretched and poor,
Lost and lonely within,
But with wondrous compassion,
The King of all Kings,
In pity and love,
Took me under his wings.*

*Chorus
Oh, yes, oh yes,
I'm a child of the King
And His royal blood,
Now flows in my veins,
And I who was wretched and poor,
Now can sing,
Praise God, Praise God,
I'm a child of the King.*

*Now I'm a child
With a heavenly home,
For my Holy Father
Has made me His own,
Now I'm washed in His blood,
And someday I'll sing
With the angels above.*

Your Brother in Christ,
Gillis Reedy, Isom, Kentucky

Union, Communion and Memorial Services

March

Little Zion: Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in March. Ministers called: Bill Moore, Bill Halcomb, Danny Dixon, Don Fields. Communion: Second Sunday in June. Memorial: Second Sunday in July. Ministers called: Carson Cornett, Clark Hays, Chester Gibson, Bob Combs.

April

Mount Zion: Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Tim Smith, Taulby Mosley, Charles Craft. Communion: Second Sunday in May. Memorial: Second Sunday in June. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Gary Mosley.

Blair Branch: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Harvey Creech, Elwood Cornett, Squire Watts, I.D. Back, Ivan Amburgey. Communion: Third Sunday in July. Memorial: Third Sunday in June. Ministers called: I.D. Back, H.B. Reedy, Jr., Agnan Back, Danny Dixon, Jim Fields.

Little Bethany: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: All of the same faith and order welcome. Communion: fourth Sunday in May.

Northern New Home: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Ellis Amburgey, Toby Breeding, Kensie Ison, John Preece, Ivan Amburgey, Lonnie Sexton, Melvin Watts, Monroe Breeding, Bob Haney, Ellis Adams, Elwood Cornett, Squire Watts, Lonnie Gregory, Jim Fields, B.R. Jones, Alonzo Mosley, Harvey Creech, Albert Osborne, J.B. Hamilton, Danny Dixon, Hezekiah Osborne, Don Pratt, Gary Mosley, H.B. Reedy, Jr., I.D. Back. Communion: Fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in June.

Little Bethlehem: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ministers called: Ellis Adams, I.D. Back, Alonzo Mosley, John Preece, Eugene Wilder, Ricky Tackett. Communion: fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September. Ministers called: Bill Moore, Ellis Amburgey, Odis Ritchie, Harvey Creech, Ivan Amburgey.

May

Poor Fork: Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Danny Dixon, Squire Watts, Ellis Adams, Paul Watson, Toby Bailey. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: first Sunday in August. Ministers called: Ervin O'Quinn, Dallas Ramsey, Danny Dixon, Roger Gibson.

Mount Olivet: Union Meetings: First Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Danny Dixon, Eugene Wilder, Alonzo Mosley. Communion: first Sunday in August. Memorial: First Sunday in July. Ministers called: Virgil Combs, Carl Back, Ivan Amburgey, John Preece.

Little Dove: Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Charles Shepherd, Danny Dixon, Alonzo Mosley, I.D. Back. Communion: Second Sunday in July. Memorial: Second Sunday in June. Ministers called: Squire Watts, Paul McClanahan, Dallas Ramsey, Roger Gibson.

Reynolds Fork: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ellis Amburgey, Elwood Cornett, Bill Halcomb, Alonzo Mosley, Earl Mosley, John Preece. Communion: Third Sunday in June. Ministers called: Milburn Slone, Clark Hays, L.D. Mosley. Memorial: Third Sunday in July. Ministers called: Harvey Creech, Jim Fields, Bill Moore, Harlos Watts, Chester Gibson, Taylor Watson.

Little Bull Creek: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Bill Moore, Bill Halcomb, Curtis Hall, McKinsey Ison,

Elwood Cornett. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Sunday in June. Melton Cemetery Memorial: Second Sunday in June. Ministers called: All of the same faith and order are welcome.

Garden of Love: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: All of the same faith and order welcome. Communion: Third Sunday in June. Memorial: Third Sunday in August. Ministers called: All of the same faith and order welcome.

Cedar Grove: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Ministers called: Eugene Wilder, Don Fields, Paul McClanahan, Dallas Ramsey. Communion: fourth Sunday in August. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in June.

June

Kingdom Come: Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Ted Everage, Don Halcomb, Charles Shepherd, Clifton Hampton, Ellis Adams, Don Pratt. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: First Sunday in May. Ministers called: Ellis Adams, H.B. Reedy, Jr., Harvey Creech, Don Halcomb. Cemetery Memorial Meeting: Second Sunday in August. Ministers called: All of the same faith and order welcome.

Clear Fork: Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: John Preece, H.B. Reedy, Jr., Elwood Cornett. Communion: first Sunday in July. Memorial: First Sunday in October. Ministers called: Willie Vernon Slone, Don Pratt, Jim Fields.

New Home: Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Bill Halcomb, Ellis Amburgey, H.B. Reedy, Sr., Robert Haney, Harlos Watts, Chester Gibson. Communion: First Sunday in July. Memorial: First Sunday in October. Ministers called: John Preece, Bill Tackett, Ivan Amburgey, Alonzo Mosley, Lonnie Sexton.

Happy Home: Union Meeting: First Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Hezekiah Osborne, Homer Smith, Truman Jent, Alonzo Mosley, Jimmy Hall, Carl Back. Communion: first Sunday in July. Memorial: First Sunday in August. Ministers called: All of same faith and order welcome.

New Bethlehem: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: All of same faith and order welcome. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Sunday in September. Ministers called: All of same faith and order welcome.

Friendship: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Harvey Creech, Squire Watts, Alan Whitaker, Don Pratt. Communion: Third Sunday in July. Memorial: Third Sunday in May. Ministers called: H.B. Reedy, Jr., Eugene Wilder, Jim Fields, Chester Gibson.

Dixon Memorial: Union Meeting: fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Roy Slone, Alger Mullins, Bill Moore, David Jent, Zee Holbrook, Oscar Halcomb, Virgil Combs, Moderator, Assistant Moderators. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September. Cemetery Memorial: Fourth Sunday in May.

Big Cowan: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Toby Bailey, Don Fields, Ivan Amburgey, Eugene Wilder, Squire Watts, Jim Fields. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in September. Ministers called: Virgil Combs, Danny Dixon, Alonzo Mosley, I.D. Back, Harvey Creech, Ellis Adams.

Ivy Point: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Jim Fields, Carl Ray Tuttle, Frank Newsome, John B. Hamilton, Paul McClanahan. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August. Ministers called: I.D. Back, Jimmy Hall (McDowell), Virgil Combs, Clark Hays.

Tolson Creek: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: Toby Breeding, Danny Dixon, Roger Gibson, Kirby Jent, Ellis Adams, Charles Shepherd, Squire Watts, Ricky Tackett, Don Pratt. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August. Ministers called: Toby Breeding, Ellis Adams, I.D. Back, Agnan Back, Carson Wright, Harvey Creech, Virgil Combs, Don Halcomb.

Big Creek: Union Meeting: Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ministers called: John Preece, Charles Shepherd, Roger Gibson. Communion: Fourth Sunday in July. Ministers called: Elwood Cornett, Harvey Creech, Don Pratt. Memorial: Fourth Sunday in August. Ministers called: Ted Everage, Jim Fields, Robert Haney, Moderator.

August

Defeated Creek: Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: I.D. Back, Danny Dixon, Ellis Adams, Roy Slone. Communion: Second Sunday in August. Memorial: Second Sunday in July. Ministers called: Charles Shepherd, Harvey Creech, Squire Watts, Eugene Wilder.

Hurricane Gap: Union Meeting: Third Saturday and Sunday in August. Ministers called: Eugene Wilder, Don Halcomb, Toby Breeding, Harvey Creech. Communion: Third Sunday in August. Memorial: Third Sunday in October. Ministers called: Jim Fields, Kenzie Ison, Don Pratt, John Preece.

September

Little Mary: Union Meeting: Second Saturday and Sunday in September. Ministers called: Paul McClahahan, Frank Newsome, Elwood Cornett. Communion: Second Sunday in October. Memorial: Second Sunday in August. Ministers called: Lonnie Gregory, I.D. Back, Tennis Sturgill, Hershel Short.

Obituaries

Curtis Halcomb

Curtis Halcomb entered eternal life on Saturday, December 7, 1985 at his residence.

He was born on January 12, 1913, being 72 years, ten months and twenty-five days of age at the time of his passing.

Curtis was the son of the late Finley and Victoria Watts Halcomb.

On September 3, 1948, Curtis was married to Thelma Ritchie. To this union were born seven children.



Survivors include three sons: Ronnie Halcomb of New Albany, In., Donnie and Ricky Halcomb of Blackey; and four daughters: Brenda Gibson of Cincinnati, Ohio, Sheila Walters, Anita Mullins and Laynett Halcomb, all of Blackey; Four half-brothers: Delbert Martin of Michigan, Earnest Banks of Blackey, Aster Halcomb of Red Star, and Asbel Halcomb of Italy; two half-sisters: Marie Hogg of Kings Creek, Verna Cobb of Nicholasville. He is also survived by ten grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends who mourn his passing.

Curtis joined the army in 1942 and fought for his country in World War II. He received a Purple Heart and three Bronze Stars. He was discharged in 1945 with disability.

In 1985 he went on the battlefield for the Lord. He joined Mt. Olivet Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized to show the world whose side he was fighting for.

Though we all mourn for Daddy, we don't grieve, because he has gone to a beautiful place where there is no more pain or suffering. We know this because the Bible says, "God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes."

Written by his daughter, Sheila Halcomb Walters



Steve M. Adams

Steve M. Adams was born on September 20, 1908 in a log cabin at Jeremiah, Kentucky. He was the ninth of twelve children born to Sarah Back and James Adams. He learned early in life the meaning of work, of dedication to honesty, and of love for family and friends.

At an early age he saw the value of getting an education. Following high school, he enrolled at Caney Junior College, often making the long walk from his home to the college.

After receiving a teaching certificate from Eastern Kentucky Normal School at Richmond, he taught elementary school for seven years. After teaching, he and his brother went into coal, construction, and other business interests.

On April of 1974, he joined the Blair Branch Old Regular Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon for many years. Because of his deep love for his church, he spent many hours working on remodeling and upkeep of the church. He served as a trustee of the Old Regular Baptist Orphanage for many years. He also served as a trustee of the Indian Bottom Association for twelve years. Poor health finally forced him to resign all offices. In all these offices he showed great skill, much knowledge and a desire to get things done.

We, as his children, had set before us an example of a man who had a strong set of moral values that included honesty, faith, dedication and love. These principles have stood us in good stead throughout our lives thus far and will continue to do so in the future. To this man, we say, "Thank you for everything you gave us."

Written by his family



Wilford Johnson

With the help of the good Lord, I'll try to write an obituary of my stepdad, Wilford Johnson. He was the son of Augustus and Nancy Jane Johnson. He was born in Johnson County, Kentucky, but lived most of his adult life in Wheelwright, Kentucky. Wilford was married to Ella Johnson, and to them were born two daughters: Elizabeth Stromski of Westland, Michigan, and Cora Sue Newsome of Phoenix, Arizona, and one son, Wilford Johnson, Jr. of Westland, Michigan.

He married my mother, Manda Mosley Sizemore Johnson in 1959. There were six of us who Wilford treated the same as his children. We all loved him so much and miss him as much as if he were our dad. He had a good life with my mother. She cared for him when he was sick. He'd always say, "Honey, I don't know what I'd do without you." I'd like to say to her, "Mama, pray on and you can meet Wilford in a better world where there'll be no sickness."

Wilford never did join the church, but he said he was all right. Just before he died he was suffering so, I heard him say, "Jesus, Jesus, please help me," and then he seemed to just be at ease. I believe his suffering is over and he is asleep in the arms of Jesus. Wilford, sleep on. I'll see you again when this life is over, where we'll never have to part anymore.

Written by his stepdaughter, Joan Short

Elmer Bates

With God's help I will write the obituary of Elmer Bates, my friend and brother in Christ.

Brother Elmer was born October 23, 1908 in Knott County, Kentucky. After a long illness Brother Elmer left us for a better place on October 2, 1989.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Geneva Bates; one son, Donald E. Bates; one daughter, Danetta Bates; six sisters and three brothers.

He is survived by his wife, Bertha Greer Bates of Cincinnati, Ohio; five daughters: Jean Bates of Cincinnati, Ohio, Sandra Baxter of Atlanta, Ga., Janet Haneberg of Louisville, Ky., Linda Bates of Loveland, Ohio, and Wanda Glover of Bethel, Ohio. He also leaves fifteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

During his early life he resided and worked as a timekeeper in Kentucky, later settling his family in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he worked for the Ohio Knife Company until he retired.

Brother Elmer attended Northern New Home Church in Goshen, Ohio, where he gave his life for Christ on August 15, 1976. God clearly walked with him through his journey on earth. He faithfully read his Bible and would discuss with other people the Scriptures as well as his love for his family. He was very proud of his family and loved them very deeply. He loved to share with other people the memories of his lifetime.

Brother Elmer has gone to a place where the Bible says he will rest until God says it is finished. He cannot come back to see us, but we can go where he is. Brother Elmer set a good example. Let us all try to meet him there.

Jesus said, "Ye must be born again." Let us all strive for a better life, so we can meet around the throne of God with all of our Brothers and Sisters who have gone before us.

Written by a friend and Brother in Christ, Elder Jack R. Varney

Jasper J. Mullins

(April 2, 1917 - January 16, 1990)



Jasper James Mullins, Sr., 72, was born on Meade Creek in Pound, Virginia, on April 2, 1917, the firstborn of Frank James and Carrie Mae Mullins, who preceded him in death, as did his first wife, Hazel Whitt Mullins, and one sister, Ina Joyce Church.

Jack leaves behind a loving wife of ten years, Gladys Stratton Mullins; six sons: Roger C. Mullins, Strasburg, Va., Larry N. Mullins, Aldie, Va., Jasper J. Mullins, Jr., Clifton, Va., Ronnie E. Mullins, Pound, Va., Glen M. Mullins, Wise, Va., and Steven R. Mullins, Pound, Va.; two daughters, Vera S. Moore, Heathsville, Va., and Elaine M. Maxwell, Chantilly, Va.; two stepdaughters, Phyllis Smith and Lois Parker of Pikeville, Ky.; twenty-five grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren, one step great-grandchild, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Jack had one brother, Eugene C. Mullins, Pound, Va.; three sisters, Eula M. Wise, Norfolk, Va., Frances F. Mullins, Wise, Va., and Ruth O. Hughes, Clintwood, Va.

He was a faithful member of the Blackey Regular Baptist Church until his illness. Jack was called "the Apple Man" because he gave away so many apples and loved little children.

He was a retired member of the United Mines Workers Local #5741. He was a coal miner for forty-two years and he acquired the nickname "Black Jack."

Jack raised horses and mules and instilled this interest in his children.

Jack was a good neighbor, and was friendly to everyone, never meeting a stranger.

His family has wonderful memories of a loving husband, father and friend. We look forward to seeing him in Glory.



Katherine Marie Bentley

With a sad heart we will try to write the obituary of our daughter, Katherine Marie Bentley. Katherine was born on January 6, 1991 at 7:15 p.m., weighing 4 pound and 9.8 ounces. She passed away March 14, 1991 of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, making her stay here with us two months and eight days.

Katherine is survived by her mother and father, Valerie Jane Mullins Bentley and William Rufus Bentley of Litt Carr; maternal grandparents, Alger and Cinda Mullins of Litt Carr; paternal grandparents, Noah and Dalma Bentley of Litt Carr; maternal great-grandparents, Albert and Ollie Mullins of Litt Carr.

Katherine filled our hearts with love. She was a precious little angel. Her little smile and her bright eyes would just brighten up everyone's day. She was taken away from us so suddenly. We miss her so very much. She is a little flower blooming in a special place in Heaven with Jesus. In God's eyes she is as perfect as He would want her. She could say the words "I'm good." so plain, and it might have been the only thing she said, but we will always remember how sweet she sounded. Her laughter sounded so sweet when we heard it. It would bring tears to our eyes.

We will all have an empty space in our heart that she once filled, but she is in a better place. We will always love her with all our hearts. We miss her so very much. She may be gone, but not forgotten.

Written by her parents, Valerie and William Bentley

Sixty-eight days. Such a short time. Sixty-eight wonderful days that God allowed His most precious angel to live with us. For she was an angel. So sweet and perfect. A beautiful little star that touched everyone who saw her.

I asked my Lord, "Why? Take me in her place." I would gladly go instead of her. Her life had just started. We had so many hopes and dreams for her future. Why not me instead?

Her smile was so beautiful, eyes bright and blue. I felt such love when I held her or watched her sleeping. I loved her more than life itself.

Now she's gone. Taken away so suddenly. There is an empty space in everyone's heart now that she used to fill.

Tears flow freely and minds are numb with grief and we will always remember the joy and love little Katherine brought into our lives.

In loving memory of Katherine Marie Bentley, daughter of William and Valerie Mullins Bentley



Louis Riley Caudill

It is with much sadness I try to write the obituary of my loving husband, Louis Riley Caudill. He was born November 13, 1909 at Fusonia. He passed away December 24, 1990. He was the son of John D. and Patty Caudill of Fusonia. He was married in March of 1937 to Minervia Fields. To this union were born five daughters: Patty Coots, Thema North, Shirley Combs, all of Fusonia, Irene Combs and Deveral Sizemore of Hazard. He also adopted and raised a son, Johnny, whom he loved as his own. He also leaves to mourn his passing thirteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren and two sisters, Nevada McIntyre and Terry Mullins of Fusonia.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist Rose of Sharon Church in February, 1979 and was baptized March, 1979. He attended church regularly as long as he was able and he was a deacon until his death. Daddy was a quiet man, never saying much, but was loved by all who knew him. Daddy, we know we will meet you again someday. There is great sadness in our hearts and an empty place in our home and an empty space at church since you went away, but we still have those loving memories of you and the look of joy

on your face at church. I thank God for the years we had here on this earth together.

Written by a broken-hearted wife, and daughter, Thelma

Myrtle Slone Handshoe

I hope the Lord will help me write an obituary of a Sister in the Lord and a good mother and grandmother.

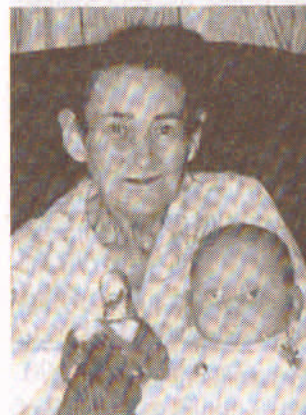
A short while before she died, she joined the Ivy Point Church and was baptized by Elder Lonzo Mosley and Bro. Albert Slone and Bro. Willie Vernon Slone. She loved for them to come and have church for her at home, as she was not able to attend regularly. We believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

She was born to Alex and Martha Hicks May 28, 1919 and deceased September 1,

1990. She leaves to mourn their loss two brothers, one sister, eight children, thirty-nine grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. Preceding her in death was her first husband, Kennel Slone, and four of her children, Bobbie Slone, who was killed in a mining explosion, and three infant babies: Maryland, Mary Francis and Dan Slone. Later in life she was married to Robert Handshoe. There were no children to this marriage. Her living children are: Hazel Henson of Mousie, Ky., Kennel Slone, Jr. of Mallie, Ky., Alex Slone of Mousie, Ky., Margie Hill of Mousie, Ky., Burton Slone of Louisville, Ky., Cynthia Slone of Topmost, Ky., Daniel Slone, Topmost, Ky., and Danny Ray Slone of Topmost, Ky. A sister and brothers left behind are: Hazel Casey of Paintsville, Ky., Arnonld and Frank Hicks, both of Pikeville, Ky.

I hope her children and family will look to the Lord and will ask Him for mercy and get forgiveness of their sins and meet Mommy in Heaven, where she won't be sick anymore, is my prayer.

Written by Sister Cynthia Slone and son, Daniel Slone



Frank D. Smith

It is with a sad heart and a troubled mind I will try to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Frank D. Smith, known to many of his friends as Dee Buck.

I pray and trust in God to help me as I attempt to write this.

Frank was born August 29, 1942. God called him home on November 8, 1990, making his stay on earth 48 years, two months and eleven days.

Frank was united to Wilma Mosley in January, 1968. To them were born four children: Wanda Smith of Garner, Kentucky, Frances Marden of Marion, In., Hershel Smith of Garner, Ky., and Grace Smith of Garner, Ky.

Frank was a good husband and a good father. He loved his wife and children very much.

Frank and Wilma joined the Ivy Point Old Regular Baptist Church in January, 1977, and were baptized January, 1977.

Frank was sick for a but year with cancer. He bore his sickness with patience and great faith that could only come from God.

At first I couldn't accept his sickness. I kept thinking he would get better, but Frank made me realize that I had to accept it, that if it were God's will he was willing to accept it, and willing to suffer for God's will to be done.

He told us all that he had a better home to go to, that he was just waiting for God to come and get him.

I stood by his bedside day and night. He wanted me with him as long as he knew anything, and I thank God that he gave me strength to stand by him. I prayed with him and I cried with him.

I'll never forget the morning he took real sick. He called me to his bedside. He took me by the hand and said, "I won't be with you long, but I love you so much." He prayed that God would let him live to see his



children again. God answered his prayers. He called them to his bedside and begged them to turn to God and meet him in Heaven.

He suffered so much in this world, but I believe his suffering is over. He left a great hope, as family and friends stood around his bed. They could hear him begging Jesus to come and take him home. I believe with all my heart he's with Jesus, where he'll never suffer anymore.

And to our children, if you ever want to see your daddy again, you'll have to go to the same God that Daddy went to. We both prayed so much for you. So sleep on, Frank, and when I see you again you won't be in pain. You won't suffer anymore.

We miss you, but I believe God saw that you had suffered enough and called you on home. When I see you again, I believe you'll be walking in that garden that you told me you would walk in someday. So keep walking slowly, honey, and soon you'll hear my voice. I'll be just a step or two behind. I love you.

Written by your loving wife, Wilma Smith



Erna Mae Noble

Erna Mae Noble of Lynch, Kentucky, entered eternal life on Sunday, July 28, 1991. She is preceded in death by her parents, Logan and Lottie Francis, and one sister, Emily Gwin.

Erna is survived by her husband of fifty-five years, Woodrow. To this union were born three daughters: Brenda West, Lottie Childers, and Patsy Fields; three grandsons: Billy Wayne Wood II, Sherman M. Childers, and Brian Fields; one granddaughter, Mindy Fields; and one great-grandson, Logan Wayne Wood. Also surviving are eight sisters and four brothers.

She was a native of Breathitt County, but had lived in Lynch for the past fifty years. In 1952 she was baptized and taken in as a member of the Pilgrim

Rest Church in Watts, Kentucky. After moving to Lynch, Erna and Woodrow attended the Poor fork Old Regular Baptist Church in Cumberland.

Even though Mother is gone, we all have the hope of seeing her again when we get to Heaven

Written by her daughter, Patsy Fields



James Jess Harr

James Jess Harr was the son of Charles David Harr and Rose Alice Moore. He was born on February 10, 1910 in Greenup, Kentucky and died June 16, 1990, making his stay with us 80 years, four months and six days.

He is survived by his wife, Thelma Wright Harr, who he married on January 24, 1947 at Greenup, Kentucky. To this union were born twelve children, eleven girls and one son. Also surviving are one brother and four sisters. Ten children are still living, nine daughters: Mary Back, Garnett Riggs, Wanda Stephenson, Elvie Pearson, Dixie Conrad, Dorothy Lay, Debbie Otis, Billie Gregory, Julie Bogan; and one son, James J. Harr, Jr.

He was preceded in death by two daughters, Dora Jean Berton and Lisa Harr. Also surviving are twenty-six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Until he was no longer able to drive, Jess took Thelma to church. He loved to hear our singing and on several occasions a group would gather at their homes and sing his favorite songs.

While in the hospital, he told the writer of this obituary that he was all right with our Lord. I am sure the knowledge of this removed a tremendous strain from his wife and family.

Written by Bro. E. Robert Miller



Kimberly Jean Moore

Kim

Wife, Mother, Daughter, Sister and
Loved One

Kimberly Jean Moore was born April 12, 1964 and departed this life May 17, 1991. She is survived by her husband, Dale Moore, son, Jamie Lee, parents, Henry and Shelby Jean Back, and sister, Pamela Jo Suiter.

Kim, as she was affectionately known to those who loved her, was diagnosed as having terminal cancer one year ago. That year was a

long, painful battle, but it was a battle Kim fought with undaunted courage. She bore her illness with very little complaining and did everything she could to help herself. She was so concerned about being a burden to her family.

She loved having church friends come visit her and study the Bible with her. Many, many hours of her final days were spent doing this. She had a hungering desire to learn more about Jesus and Heaven. During troubled and pain-filled nights she would ask to have the 23rd Psalm read to her, giving her a soothing peace to help her bear her burdens. She especially asked for the line, "Yea, tho I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." Her courage and selfless concern was an inspiration to those who took care of her. Visitors were always greeted with a smile and a hug with little thin, shaky arms.

On the night of her passing, Kim was surrounded with a host of loving family and friends. That in itself is a testimony of the love Kim gave to everybody, we know you have to give love to receive love.

Oh, what an aching void her passing has left her loved ones, but we believe Kim is with the same Jesus she learned to know while in this life. Moments after her passing, there was the sweetest, most peaceful look on her face!

Kim, we love you and will miss you so much!
Until we meet again, your loving family



Christopher Bradley Smith

Christopher Bradley Smith, six-week-old son of David Eugene Smith, Jr. and Elsie Louise Smith of Columbus, Indiana, died Friday, April 5, 1991, at 1:35 p.m. at Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana.

The infant was born at Bartholomew County Hospital on February 22, 1991, and was transferred to Riley Children's Hospital on February 23. He died after a six-week fight against heart and liver problems.

Survivors include the parents, David and Elsie Smith of Columbus, In.; grandparents,

David Eugene and Sarah Francis Smith of Columbus, In., and Martin and Ethel Smith of Columbus; great-grandparents, Frenda L. Smith of Columbus, Hannah Smith of Ingalls, In., and I. V. and Parrot Combs of Ary, Ky.; three uncles, two aunts, and several great-aunts and great-uncles.

He was preceded in death by Francis H. Smith, a great-grandfather, of Columbus, a great-grandfather, Colonel Jones, and a great-grandmother, Delilah Jones, both of Knott County, and another great-grandfather, Roscoe Smith of Ingalls, In..

Funeral services for Christopher Bradley Smith were held Monday, April 8 at Reed and Jewell Funeral Home in Columbus, with Regular Baptist ministers Coburn Ison and Ed Carson officiating. Pallbearer was David Brown. Burial followed at Dupont Cemetery, Dupont, In..

Written by David Eugene Smith, Jr. and Elsie Louise,
and grandparents, David and Sarah Francis Smith



Maynard Caudill

It is with a sad and lonely heart that I shall try to write the obituary of a dear husband, beloved father, and treasured grandfather.

Maynard Caudill was born December 4, 1925, and entered eternal life June 13, 1991, making his stay on earth 65 years, six months and nine days. He was born in Letcher County, the son of the late Fayette Caudill and Bertha Eldridge Caudill. He married Marie Fields on June 20, 1953. They were married for thirty-eight years. He is survived by his wife, Marie; three sons: Jackie Ray Caudill of Ashcamp, Ky., David Lee Caudill of Ashcamp, Ky., and Ronald Douglas Caudill of Virgie, Ky.; one daughter, Debra Lynn Potter of Jenkins, Ky.; and five grandchildren, whom he loved so much. He will be sadly missed by Brian David Caudill, Jared Nelson Caudill, Jessica MaraLyn Caudill, Ronald Douglas Caudill II, and Nicholas Lee Potter.

Maynard is also survived by his mother, Bertha Eldridge Caudill Turner of Ashland, Ky., four brothers, Bethel Caudill, Coldwater, Mi., Dixie Caudill, Milford, Mi., Junior Caudill, Walled Lake, Mi., Benton Caudill of Harrisburg, Pa. One brother, Willard Caudill of Cumberland, Ky., passed away while this obituary was being written, on August 27, 1991. It is our hope that he will meet Maynard on the other side. Maynard also left five sisters to mourn his passing. They are: Delta Muller of Ferndale, Mi., Velva Harlow, Ashland, Ky., Juanita Maggard of Winnabow, NC, Gracie Parsons of Cumberland, Ky., and Mazie Harlow of Ashland, Ky., along with a host of other friends and relatives.

Maynard was a veteran of the Korean War and a retired coal miner. He had been a member of the Cedar Grove Old Regular Baptist church since June 25, 1972. He was ordained a deacon of the church on October 25, 1975. He loved to go to church and filled his seat as long as he was able. He was

well respected by all of his neighbors, and had many life-long friends. He is sadly missed by his family, but I feel that he has laid aside all the sorrows and cares of this world and exchanged them for a crown of Glory. Our hope is of meeting him again and sharing that beautiful home with him where the family circle won't be broken.



Tilda Dixon

The little community of Turkey Creek has lost another one of its good old-fashioned citizens.

Tilda Dixon was born on October 6, 1900 to Crockett and Mary Stout Bush. She was 90 years, seven months and eight days of age when God called her home on May 14, 1991.

She married Robert Dixon when she was just a young girl. They had eleven children, six sons: Paris, Lester, Arcle, Hobert, Noble and Dennis; and five daughters: Gladys Galloway, Elva Ison, Imogene Ison, Wanda Caudill and Christine Eldridge (who preceded her in death).

She was a member of Cedar Grove Old Regular Baptist Church for over sixteen years. She loved going to church and went many times when she didn't feel well enough physically. Her seat there is empty now, but I'm sure she's singing a far sweeter song today.

Tilda loved her children and liked nothing better than having them all together with friends and relatives. We'll always miss her, but we can all be together again where there's just joy and peace, if we'll just trust our souls to the Lord.

The family of Tilda Dixon



Mary Eldridge

With deep love and respect we would like to share with you some memories of Mary Eldridge.

Mary was born on April 7, 1916 into the family of Sam and Delia Carter. She passed from this life on May 11, 1991.

Mary Carter married Gordon Eldridge on May 10, 1933. They shared fifty-eight years filled with love and caring for each other. They had ten children: Hester Campbell, Dexter Eldridge, Retha Ison, Carolyn Crase, Rosa Dixon, Gaynell Dixon, Doris Kilbourne, Linda

Birchwell, Brenda McCool, and Delbert Eldridge.

Mary was a member of Cedar Grove Church for thirty-eight years. Her greatest gift to her family and friends was her unfaltering faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Her life had many hills and valleys and through it all she always turned to the Lord. Another of her gifts was her love for her family. Her life was centered around her family. She was always available for guidance, to lend a helping hand, and to share in the good times and bad times. Her greatest joy was watching her family fellowship together at family gatherings, a tradition that I hope we will share for many years to come. And yes, the circle can be unbroken in the Lord.

She is also survived by two sisters, Florence Eldridge and Liz Smith; one brother, Earthel Carter; and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will live in our hearts forever.

The family of Mary Eldridge



William "Willie" Addington

William "Willie" Addington was born to Henry and Polly Greer Addington July 17, 1898 on Beefhide in Pike County, Kentucky. He passed away August 18, 1991, making his stay here on earth 93 years, one month and one day. He was one of ten children. He had four brothers and five sisters. He is survived by his wife, Betty Pearl Addington; one brother, Noble, and two sisters, Bessie and Gracie.

He was united in marriage to Betty Pearl Burke on September 1, 1921 in Pike County, Kentucky. Their seventieth wedding anniversary would have been this September 1. From this union were born four children: Raymond of Pasadena, Texas and Bill Jr. of Kerrsville, Texas, Charlotte Cartee of Tuscon, Arizona and Juanita Miller of Monroe, Ohio. also surviving are seven grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. He also leaves many relatives, brothers and sisters in Christ and dear friends.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in July, 1938 and was baptized by his father-in-law, Elder Mahlon Burke. He took his membership with the South Shore Church, which was his home church at the time of his death.

This precious brother lived with us for 93 years. Fifty-three of those years were spent following the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. A dear brother has left us and has gone on to a better home. A home that he looked forward to seeing.

We will miss him, his dear wife misses him, and his children miss him, but he is finally satisfied. He has made his journey home.

Written by his son-in-law and Brother in Christ, E. Robert Miller



Onas Amburgey

It is with much sadness that my brother and I will try and write this obituary of our loving father, Onas Amburgey.

Dad was born August 7, 1925 at Smithboro, Kentucky. He was one of four children born to Burn and Lydia Amburgey. He was united in marriage to our mother, Unave Everage, May 17, 1946. To this union was born two children, Patricia and James.

Dad was a loving and religious man. He began his work for the Lord April 5, 1970, along with our mother. On that day, they were baptized and joined Antioch Old Regular Baptist Church in Louisville, Kentucky. when he departed this life he belonged to the Little Bethlehem church at Brinkley, Kentucky.

Dad was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and was proud to have served in the United States Navy.

For any years, Dad suffered from a chronic illness, which eventually took his life. It was hard to understand why Dad was given such a heavy cross to bear. The Bible says there is a reason for everything. One of the reasons for his suffering had to be to show others the pain one goes through can be made so much easier, if you have faith in the Lord.

Dad loved the many times that visitors stopped by to sing old songs and to have prayer. One of the last prayers that Dad repeated before he left this world was Psalm 23.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Written by daughter and son, Patricia Norton and Jim Amburgey



Eva Eldridge Back

With the help of the Lord, we would like to write the obituary of our dear mother. She was born January 24, 1910 to LeAnder and Betty Eldridge. She departed this life September 5, 1990, making her stay here on earth 80 years, seven months and twelve days.

Mommy was married to Dad, John Back Jr., on February 6, 1928. To them were born ten children, three of whom preceded her in death; Howard Back, Earl Back, and Everett Back. She leaves to mourn her passing her loving husband of sixty-two years, John Back

Jr.; five sons: Hobert Back, St. Paris, Ohio; Custer Back, Rineyville, Ky., Lee Back, Norwood, Ohio, Joe Back, Bethel, Ohio, and Willie Back, Premium, Ky.; two daughters, Elma Eldridge, Letcher, Ky., and Laura J. Caudill, Hamilton, Ohio; two sisters and four brothers; thirty-three grandchildren; twenty-five great-grandchildren, a host of friends, loved ones and brothers and sisters in the church.

Mommy made peace with her Lord and came into the arms of the Old Regular Baptist Church fifty years ago, being baptized into the Old Indian Bottom church. She attended church as long as she was able to go. She had a lot of trouble with her legs and couldn't get around. Mommy and Daddy moved their church letters to Kingdom Come Church many years ago. The church Mommy loved so much has suffered a great loss. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Mommy told us many times how she'd love to see all her children saved and serving God. Mommy left us so many wonderful memories. And, though our hearts are broke and we live with this vacancy in our hearts and lives, we have the wonder hope of seeing her again. God bless you, Daddy, we know how lost and alone you must feel. Let's all be good to Daddy, and go see him as often as we can. Brothers and sister, those of you that don't have this blessed hope of seeing Mommy again, I beg you

to turn around and make peace with God before it's too late. What a blessing this would be to Daddy.

I wrote a poem a few weeks after Mommy's passing called, "I Love You, Mommy Dear."

*I Love You, Mommy Dear
If I could turn back time
To before you left me here,
I'd love to tell you how much I care
How much I love you, Mommy Dear.*

*I'd love to see you standing
On that old front porch,
When I'd drive up in my car
My heart lit up like a torch.*

*I'd love to go home and find
You in that ole rocking chair,
I'd love to put my arms around you
And say, "I love you, Mommy Dear."*

*I'd like to hear your voice
And see your tender smile,
I'd like to sit down with you
And just talk awhile.*

Laura J. Caudill

Mommy, we'll always remember you with love. You'll never be forgotten. You were the flower of our home, our hearts, and our lives. So kind, gentle, and loving. Always quiet and hiding your pain. We all love and miss you so much. Sleep on, Mommy, take your rest. Your sleepless nights are over now. We'll come to be with you again someday.

Your loving daughters



Ruah Everidge

With the help of our dear Lord, we will try to write the obituary of our dear mother and grandmother, Ruah Everidge. She was the daughter of Olka and Corsetta Pigman, and was born on April 11, 1921.

Mommy worked very hard raising her children and loved them very much. God called Mommy home to be with Him and Daddy on October 25, 1990.

She was a member of the Happy Home Church, and served her Lord for nineteen years. We loved Mommy very much and miss

her so very much. She was very special to her family.

She suffered for so long, but suffers no more. Mommy couldn't talk to us much in the last two years she was here, but she showed us how much she cared about us with her sweet smile.

Mommy leaves to mourn her one son, Joe Riley; four daughters, Sue Collins, Jeanetta Slone, Viola Slone, Rita Slone; fourteen grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; two sisters; and two brothers.

We love and miss you Mommy, and hope to be with you someday.

Written by her daughter, Sue Collins,
and granddaughter, Sheila Collins



Robert Harris
(1906 - 1991)

With the help of God I will try to write the obituary of our loving husband and father, Robert Harris. He was born June 19, 1906 in Clay County at Manchester, Kentucky to the late Charlie Harris and Mary Hibbard Harris. He came to Leatherwood, Kentucky in 1927. There he met and married Alta Bush in 1929. To this union were born two children, Mildred Harris of Daisy, Kentucky, and James Winfred Harris of Jenkins, Kentucky. One daughter-in-law, one grandson and one great-granddaughter are also left to mourn.

Robert worked hard to support his family. When he came to Leatherwood he worked for a logging company and ran a log train for a long time. After leaving the logging company he worked for Blue Diamond coal company and retired while with them.

Robert joined the Hurricane Gap Old Regular Baptist Church in 1980 and was ordained as deacon in 1981. He worked and helped in the church as long as he was able and enjoyed it. He died on April 14, 1991.

By Sister Alta Harris



Ada Watts
(1912 - 1991)

Ada Watts was born July 27, 1912 near Blackey, Kentucky. She passed from this life on June 11, 1991, making her stay here on earth 78 years, ten months and fifteen days. Ada was the daughter of Henry and Anne Caudill, who preceded her in death. Also preceding her in death were two sisters, Ora and Celia, and two grandchildren, Michael and Claudette Dixon. Left to mourn her passing are: her husband, Kirk Watts of Taylorsville, Ky., whom she married on November 7, 1929; two sons, Reed Watts of Taylorsville, Ky., Squire Watts of Red Fox, Ky.; four daughters: Esther Dixon of Taylorsville, Ky., Gladys Moss of Louisville, Ky., Geraldine Dixon of Mt. Washington, Ky., Desta Caudill of Reelsville, In.; three brothers: Dock Caudill of Florida, Willard Caudill of Morehead, Ky., George B. Caudill of Greenwood, In.; three sisters, Vada Whitaker of Hallie, Ky., Cora Shepherd of Madison, In., Hattie Chitwood of Greenwood, In.; eleven grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Ada, or "Granny" as she was known by most of the people who knew her, loved everyone, especially young people. Everyone was always welcome at "Granny's" home, and she would always insist that visitors have something to eat and drink. She especially enjoyed loving and doing things for her children.

Sometime in the late 40s or early 50s "Granny" found herself in trouble spiritually and realized her lost condition and began to seek peace with God and salvation for her soul. I remember hearing her praying, sometimes all through the night and day. "Granny" joined the Cedar Grove Old Regular Baptist Church on September 26, 1953 and was baptized on the fourth Saturday in October, 1953. She loved the Lord and loved and attended church as long as she was able. Her faith in God and the life she lived surely

has left a mark for us to follow. What she hoped and prayed for so many years has now become a reality to her. She is now at home with the Lord.
Elder Squire Watts



Hettie Annette Ison

With a sad and broken heart, I will write the obituary of my precious daughter, Hettie Annette Watts Ison. She was born August 14, 1937, the daughter of Arthur and Alice Watts of Hallie, Kentucky.

She was married to Quenton Ison. One son, Quenton Wayne, survives. Other survivors are: mother, Alice, of Milan, In.; McArthur Watts of Maryland, Janice Porter of Indianapolis, Janelle Sue of New Palestine, Carolyn Ison of Columbus, In., Sharon of Central City, Ky., Dorothy of Ohio, and Mary Lou Spangler

of San Antonio, Texas.

She fought the battle of cancer but lost, but won a crown of glory in the Lord. She was loved by all who knew her.

She said she felt the Lord saved her soul, she had so much good faith in the Lord. She joined the church at Indianapolis just before she passed away. She was so well cared for by her husband and family and friends, but oh, how I miss her.

By the help of the good Lord we can all meet her in that Glory Land where we won't have to separate any more.

Written by her mother, Alice Eldridge

A precious one from us is gone

A voice we love is still

A place is vacant in our home

Which never can be filled.

Our aching hearts are longing

*For your face we see no more
But we hope someday to see you
On that bright, eternal shore.*



Nancy Ison

I will try my best to write the obituary of another one of my very dear friends and sister in the church. We were very, very close and had been together about all of our lives.

Nancy was the daughter of Rachel and Joe Jones of Ingrams Creek, Linefork, Kentucky. She was born April 28, 1904. She entered eternal life around 11:00 p.m. at the Whitesburg Hospital on January 25, 1991, making her 86 years, eight months and twenty-eight days of age at her passing.

She married Bony Ison in 1919 at the age of fifteen, and to this union were born fifteen children. Bony and five children preceded her in death. They were Henry, Nenva, Walleen, Ernest and Franklin. The following children still living are Loren Dean Ison, Jackson, Ky., Magalene Brashears, Mores Hill, In., Mallie Mozina, Whitesburg, Ky., Donald Gay Ison, Cumberland, Ky., Irvin Ison, Whitesburg, Ky., Hubert Ison, Texas, Anna Jane Banks Thompson, Jeffersonville, In., Blanche Banks, Whitesburg, Ky., Gid Ison, Whitesburg, Ky., and Geneva Banks, Oscaloosa, Ky. To this union were a great host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Nancy was a kind, gentle person, one of the charter members of the Kingdom Come Old Regular Baptist Church. We feel our loss will be Heaven's gain. So sleep on, dear, sweet lady, and may we all join you someday. We sure do miss you in a lot of different ways, and every way I turn I still see you.

May God bless all of her children, and please, dear God, let all of them get ready to meet their mom in Heaven, where I feel she is waiting for them.

Written by sister Nancy Ann Caudill,
and Carolyn Ison, daughter-in-law



Wendell Caudill

Wendell Caudill passed away on Wednesday, November 28, 1990 at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Wendell was the son of the late Wesley and Mahala Ison Caudill. He was born on November 10, 1903, being 87 years and eighteen days of age at the time of his passing.

Wendell was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church. He was the husband of Mae Fields Caudill.

Surviving are seven sons: Doug Ison of Wichita, Kansas, Roger Ison of Crown, Charles Ison of Isom, Timmy Ison of Four City, NC, Danny Ison of Piedmont, SC, Charles Caudill of Bowling Green and Wayne Caudill of Smoot Creek; six daughters: Brenda Couch of Uz, Pamela Ison of Uz, Patsy Harmon of Stout, Ohio, Netta Caudill of North Vernon, In., Debbie Short of Whitesburg and Wendy Bridges of Piedmont, SC; one brother, Edwin Caudill of Uz; one sister, Ann Frazier of Premium; twenty-nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild, along with a host of other 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.

Written by his wife, Mae Caudill, and children



Maxie Caudill

Maxie L. Caudill was born June 28, 1914, to John P. Logan and Harriett Campbell at Hallie, Letcher County, Kentucky.

She passed away February 26, 1991. One brother, John P. Logan, Jr., and two sisters, Sarah Caudill and Carrie Jones, preceded her in death.

Surviving are one brother, Elder Melvin Watts, and two sisters, Mary Dixon and Mable Hogg, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Maxie was a charter member of the House of Prayer Church. Mission was started in her home and organized with two sisters and four brothers. On the night that we were organized, we received thirteen members by letter.

Maxie lived a lonely life for many years and suffered a lot in the last three years. God was merciful and took her home where she will not suffer anymore. She was married to Preacher Buddy Caudill's son, Carl Caudill, who she lost in France during World War II.

The last time she was able to talk to us (Melvin Watts and Mary Dixon) she said, "I could not explain it to you all, but I have been with my people. I love everybody. I wish I had enough voice - I would shout so loud, it would disturb this hospital."

We were on our way back from our sister's funeral (Carrie) in Georgia, and Maxie was on her knees praying in the back seat of my car. Jesus came and her praying turned into shouting. Then, she began praying for her loved ones. I believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

Jesus said, "It were better that Judith had never been born to her loved ones if there is not a Heaven to gain; it would have been better if none of us had been born."



Herbert Maggard

Herbert Maggard was born March 5, 1931 to France and Maggie Lee Ison Maggard. He departed this life on August 17, 1991, making his stay on earth 60 years, five months and twelve days.

On July 12, 1951 he married Gertrude Brown. This union God blessed with three loving children: Belinda Gail, Jennifer Kay and Herbert Lee.

Herbert's greatest pleasure in life was fishing, but on August 8, 1983, at the home of Elder Jim Fields, he became a fisher of men and his greatest joy was serving the Lord. He joined the Poor fork Old Regular Baptist church at Cumberland, Kentucky, and was baptized by Elder Jim Fields and Charles Shepherd on September 4, 1983. The church bestowed a great honor upon Herbert as he was ordained a deacon on August 24, 1985. In this position he served his brothers and sisters with love.

Herbert was a retired coal miner from Arch of Kentucky at Lynch. Starting in the truck mines as a young man, he worked approximately forty years.

He is survived by his wife, Gertrude; two daughters, Belinda and Jennifer; one son, Herbert Lee; three darling grandchildren, Joy Allison, Erin Susanne and Jessica Lane Baker; one loving daughter-in-law, Karen; one son-in-law, David Baker; three brothers: Paul, Hargus and David; one sister, Geneva Pool; and a host of relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, France and Maggie Ison Maggard.

The family mourn the passing of our beloved Herbert, but rejoices in the knowledge that he is now home with the Lord. Even as he lay upon his hospital bed he pointed others to Heaven with his last spoken word being "home."

Written by his wife and children



Kalip Powers Caudill

Kalip Powers Caudill passed away on Monday, June 3, 1991 at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Healthcare Center. Powers was the son of the late Walter and Hannah Ison Caudill. He was born on September 3, 1910, being 80 years, nine months of age at the time of his passing.

Powers and Bertha had to give up their home and go in the Letcher Manor Nursing Home the last year of his life. They both were unable to take care of themselves. He was in and out of the hospital a lot.

Powers was a member and minister of the Old Regular Baptist faith for over forty years. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Coy and Charlie, and sisters, Dove and Elvarie. Surviving are his wife, Bertha Mae; three sons: Walter L. Caudill of Bellville, Mi., Harold L. Caudill of Gary, In., and Powers A. Caudill, Jr. of Premium, Ky.; one daughter, Lena Mae Stamper of Morristown, Tn.; one sister, Lonie Hensley of Cumberland, Ky.; nineteen grandchildren and twenty-seven great-grandchildren, along with a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

We, the family of Arlie Caudill, will never forget Brother Powers for his kindness and help he gave to us during our dad's illness. He was there from the start until the very end, day and night. Whenever he was needed somewhere, he would always try his very best to be there. Wherever he went, he always tried to tell the people to live for the Lord and get ready to go to Heaven, where I feel he is gone to make his new home.

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.

Written by Arlie Caudill's family



Woodrow Wilson Cornett

Woodrow Wilson Cornett was born May 9, 1919 in Knott County, Kentucky and departed this life September 9, 1990, making his life here on earth seventy-one years.

He is survived by his wife, Ada Collins Cornett. They were married on May 4, 1941, and shared forty-nine devoted years to one another. Through those years of marriage a son and three daughters were born, Dewain, Wilma, Peggy and Wanda.

Daddy was a devoted member of Little Dove Church and dedicated his life to the Lord in the year of 1950 and served Him faithfully.

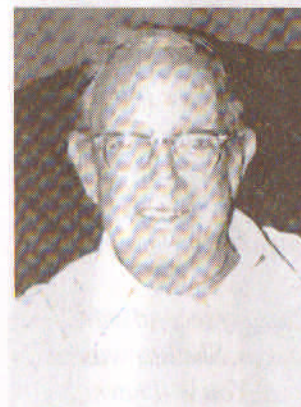
Daddy's illness was long and very difficult, but he never let you forget that the Lord was taking care of him.

God intervened several times when we thought all hope was gone and restored him to us for a little longer. He lived to talk about his love of God, and never hesitated to tell you he was a Christian and that he loved you.

He taught us to pray, and love the Lord, and to know when we leave this earth we're going to a much better place. Daddy's journey through the valley was extremely difficult, but what a glorious destination awaited him as he traveled with Jesus Christ, his Lord and Savior.

We love and miss you so much, but you left so much of yourself with us when you went home to Glory. Your life was a gift from God, beautifully wrapped in a loving package, shared with us as one of God's choicest gifts and richest blessings. We'll meet again, until then . . .

Written by your daughter, Peggy, and for your wife, children, grandchildren, and all others who loved you dearly.



McKinley McIntosh

McKinley McIntosh was born December 10, 1901, and departed this life January 29, 1991, making his stay here on this earth 89 years, one month and nineteen days. He was the son of the late Samuel McIntosh and Margaret Everage McIntosh.

Early in life, McKinley met and married his first wife, Hettie Elizabeth Pridemore. They lived a long, happy life together and raised a wonderful family. After Hettie passed away, he married Corean Sparkman Baldridge. They lived happily together until his death.

He leaves to mourn his passing his wife, Corean; one son, Ealy McIntosh of Florida; four daughters: Gertrude Mullins of Amburgey, Ky., Lois Hudson of Monticello, Ky., Elaine Miller of Cloverport, Ky., and Reda Sorrells of Lebanon Junction, Ky.; one stepdaughter, Carolyn Adams of Viper, Ky.; one step-granddaughter, Stacia Caudill, whom he helped raise and loved as his own; ten grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The following paragraphs are from a letter written to Danny Terry to be opened and read at his death.

"I, McKinley McIntosh, am writing to a good friend. I was born December 10, 1901. After so long, the Lord has blessed me to have a long life. I have many friends that have gone on to another world. We know not where they are today, but by some of their lives, their fruit was good, which makes me believe that they are in Heaven today, where I believe I am going, and there will be peace and happiness forever and ever, and I do hope that I leave you all here.

I am your friend. When you hear that death has come and taken me away, I want the Hindman funeral Home workers to come and take charge of my body. At your time, please keep me at the funeral home chapel for one night.

Then take me to the Happy Home Church for my funeral. The night that I am at the chapel, use the brothers that come to visit with me. The day of my funeral, I want Elder Clark Hays to open the service, Brother John Preece to follow him, Elder Hezekiah Osborne next, and Elder Carl Back to close the service. Then take me to the Franklin Cemetery and lay me beside my first wife, who was a good woman. We will lay side by side until the voice calls, "Come home my little children." Then we'll rise and go home with the Lord.

Now, I want to say to my people, be good to Corean, my second wife. Help her, for without her, I would have been gone long ago. She has waited on me hand and foot. To my five children, I love you all. You will never know how much. To my grandchildren and all of my family, be good to each other and everyone else. I have done all I could to leave you all in love. Be good, and let's all meet again in a much better world to live in.

I joined the Old Regular Baptist Church the second Sunday in April, 1951 and was baptized the second Sunday in May, 1951. I have never had a charge against me, now past thirty-eight years. So come, go with me to a good Home. From McKinley McIntosh to Danny Terry."

We feel by this testimony and by the life that Brother McKinley McIntosh lived here on earth that our loss is his gain.

"Papaw," you have left us with many loving memories.

Submitted by wife, and all your family



Elder Baxter Osborne
An Ambassador for Jesus
has been called Home

Elder Baxter Osborne has retired from active duty and was called home by his Heavenly Father on September 2, 1990. He has finished his mission after fifty-three years in service for the King. He has now received his honorable discharge and retired "in a land far away, where there will be no more heartaches, never again to be called at any hour, day or night, when someone was ill or in trouble, never to be called when the brotherhood was having a problem. He was the son of Grover Cleveland and Rebecca Tackett Osborne, born June 15, 1920, called and accepted into the service of his King at the tender age of seventeen. His stay here was 70 years, two months and seventeen days.

We were married June 11, 1938 and surely this union was blessed by God. We were blessed with four sons and two daughters, Johnny, Steve, Baxter Jr., Robert, Martha Knipp and Sharon Tackett, who surely miss the council of a loving father, nineteen grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Also he left two sisters and seven brothers, many nieces and nephews, who looked upon him as a father, and many more relatives and many, many friends who loved and respected him. He was pastor of the Little Jewel Church since it was organized in 1946 and the church will surely miss his loving advice and council. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle, brother, pastor, counselor and friend. He was stricken with that dreaded disease in 1989. In April that year, my world fell apart when the doctor spoke that dreaded word, "Malignant! No cure! . . . a few months or a year." But he came home after twelve days in the hospital and slowly regained his strength enough to go to church again. He was so full of vigor for God that he just couldn't stop. We traveled several miles that first year, to churches, two trips to the Star of Bethlehem Church in Florida where he had learned to love so well. The last

long trip we made was to the Ball Branch Church in Knott County. On the way home he became very tired and as I was driving home he said, "Honey, this is to be my last long trip to church." I asked why he said that. He said, "I am just getting too weak to travel." But he continued to go to the churches nearby until May, 1990, when he began to fail in strength and had to return to the hospital for seven days. When he came home the Hospice organization began taking care of him and he began to fail fast, but the nurses and personnel were so good to him, and sometimes the nurses would say, "Now, I just want to hear you talk. Tell me about your church work." It was such a long, hard struggle, but he still influenced lives, even after he became so ill. But the last week or so he sometimes became confused and troubled and all I had to say was, "Honey, repeat the 23rd Psalm for me," and he would say it word for word. He never lost sight of God, even in his confusion.

He grew so weak he could hardly speak, but one morning about 5:00 a.m., as I sat holding his hand, he began to sing in a trembling voice, "Oh, how I love Jesus, His name is precious to me, He's the sweetest flower that ever bloomed. Oh, how I love Him today." Then, raising his hands, he began to rejoice, saying, "I'm not going down, I'm going up. I'm going up forevermore. He is my Lord and My God." Three days he lay in a coma, but the last few words he said before he became unable to speak were a song, "My Heavenly Home is bright and fair, no pain or death can enter there. Its glittering towers the sun outshines, that heavenly mansion shall be mine. I'm going home, how beautiful Heaven must be."

So many times I heard him talk to the brethren who were visiting and he would say, "Preach repentance, strong, by grace through faith, not of works, lest any man should boast . . . If I could ever preach again, I would preach it stronger than ever, the power of God's redeeming Grace." That sad Sunday as I sat holding his hand, I saw his lips form the words, "I'm going home." And at 1:55 he gave a loud groan and gasped and was gone. The smile on his face told me that he had gone to that heavenly home. Oh, how great is our loss, but far greater his gain! I have relived that day over and over

in my mind, and wondered about the loud groan he gave at the end. Why had it been so hard?

I prayed and asked God to let me understand, and one night I was reading my Bible about how our Lord, when He was hanging on the cross, gave a loud groan and gave up the ghost. My darling had given up the ghost as did his Savior. Oh, how comforting these words, as if my Lord was showing me to not worry anymore.

Now, I go, lonely, but comforted by the Spirit of God. I had told Brother Baxter that I was going to write a book about his work in the churches and one of his last requests to me was, "Write all you can. Maybe my life will touch someone after I am gone."

So, by the help of God, I am trying. I need the prayers of all of God's people in this great endeavor.

How lonely is my world since you are gone,

Even when I'm in a crowd, I still feel alone,

Sometimes I still reach out for your hand

And I still don't understand,

But I know you're happy there in your new home.

Are you watching from those windows up on high?

Do you see me when I bow my head and cry?

I'm trying hard to understand how this fits into God's plan,

But I know that my Lord knows the reason why.

Sister Dorothy



Elder Lewis Lucas

Trusting in the Lord, I will write a few words concerning my dearly beloved daddy, Elder Lewis Lucas, who passed from this world June 11, 1991. He was born to Miles M. and Arlena Kelly Lucas on December 8, 1913.

At an early age Dad met Rhonda Shepard, daughter of Joseph and Susan Shepard, and they fell deeply in love and soon got married. To this union were born eleven children, four boys and seven girls.

When I was just a young boy Dad repented and joined the Clear Creek Old Regular Baptist Church. He later took his fellowship to the Clear Fork Church. Dad was the Assistant Moderator at Clear Fork church and Moderator of the Little Zion Church for many years. He always loved the church fervently and did his best.

Dad always was a hard worker as long as he was able. Dad went into the coal mines when he was just a boy, and put in many years there.

Dad would say, there's some money under the mattress, if I die, be sure to pay the rest of my debts.

Well, he worked hard for his family and gave us what we needed while we were growing up. He always wanted to help us children after we got married and he did every chance he could. Dad wanted to live and die in favor with God and all men, and I believe he did. I can't say enough about the good I saw in Dad, but I thank God I believe he has gone on to be with Jesus.

Dad lived 77 years, six months and three days here on earth. We will always miss him until we meet him again in Heaven, where joys will never end. Dad would want to be remembered as just an Old Regular Baptist minister, saved by the Grace of God. Farewell, dear friends, for a little while.

Written by his son, Jay Lucas

*My daddy was a fine old man who lived upon the hill.
Although poor in earthly store, our lives with love did fill.*

Daddy raised a large family, nine of us in all.

I remember when God saved him, although I was very small.

I remember how he couldn't rest as he lay upon his bed,

Trying to find peace with God, 'twas later, what he said.

Dad did find peace with God, and his life was different since;

He showed everyone a lot of love and always preached . . . Repent!

Now Dad is gone and we are all hurt, and Mom is especially sad.

But with God's help we must go on,

Until Heaven will make us glad.

The love Dad had for Mother was beautiful to see . . .

A marriage made in Heaven, we knew it had to be.

Now my brother and sister, let's all join hand in hand,

And live as he has taught us,

So we will meet him once again.

Dad has moved higher up . . . higher, higher still

He's climbed the great high mountain;

he's drinking from the fountain

Where all is pure and real.

In loving memory of our dear, beloved dad,

Jay and family

Thomas Everage

Thomas Everage was born December 18, 1891, and died February 3, 1938, making his stay here on earth 47 years and sixteen days.

He was preceded in death by one son, Burnice Everage, and one daughter, Leona Everage. Since his death his wife, Nancy Everage; two daughters, Mert Calton and Arizona Smith; two sons: George Everage and Sam Everage, have died, leaving one daughter, Ollie Mullins, surviving.

He professed a hope in Christ and joined the Little Home Church of Old Regular Baptist and was not able to be baptized.

He told me before he died that there came to his bed a woman and five little children.

"She came to me three days, the last time she told me she had come after me and I had to go, and we started and went till we came to a beautiful stream of water that was as clear as crystal, and there was a white streak across the stream, and we had to walk across on that white streak. We started across and when we got to the other side we came to a stone wall with a large gate. The gate was pure gold. She opened the gate and I followed her in and she led me to a large building and opened the door, and I followed her in and there was a large room, white as snow, but no one in it. She then led me through the second room, and there was a big congregation and the Lord standing in the midst. So she led me in another and there was a table and there was reading on the wall over the table. The reading was written with golden letters, 'This is the Lord's world,' and my burden left, and I was so happy I couldn't eat or sleep."

He said "I am ready to leave this old world of trouble and go to that city whose builder and maker is God."

Written by Valerie Bentley in request of
my grandmother, Ollie Mullins

Articles of Faith

1. We believe in the one true and living God, and notwithstanding 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 that men 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 Savior 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 will 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 ordained 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 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 or 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 principles 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.

Church Clerks and Addresses

Church	Clerk & Clerk's Address
Cedar Grove	Venson Whitaker HC 63, Box 350, Ulvah, KY 41731 PH: 633-7659
New Home	Birtchell Mosley HC 75, Box 9950, Hindman, KY 41822
Defeated Creek	Keith Smith HCR 84, Box 1776, Linefork, KY 41833
Reynolds Fork	Marion Slone HC 60, Box 1398, Mallie, KY 41836
Little Bull Creek	Gary Caudill HC 85, Box 1866, Isom, KY 41824
Ivy Point	Alger Casebolt General Delivery, Carrie, KY 41725
Little Dove	Mike Caudill P.O. Box 34, Jeremiah, KY 41826
Tolson Creek	Luther Combs HC 85, Box 1884, Isom, KY 41824
Dixon Memorial	Roger Whitaker HCR 85, Box 2194, Premium, KY 41845
Big Creek	Billy Maggard 1104 18th St., Columbus, IN 47201
Happy Home	Luther Ashley HCR 74, Box 2002, Amburgey, KY 41801
New Bethlehem	Carl Slone P.O. Box 322, Hindman, KY 41822
Clear Fork	Robert Combs RR2, Box 206, Hazard, KY 41701 PH: 439-2198
Northern New Home	Void Blanton 5240 Rodford Drive, Morrow, OH 45152 PH: 899-3431

Blair Branch	Bob Banks HC 71, Box 277, Letcher, KY 41832
Mt. Olivet	Agnon Back Box 213, Blackey, KY 41804
Little Zion	Ross S. Hill Box 114, Jeff, KY 41751 PH: 436-3633
Hurricane Gap	William Jay McCool HC 63, Box 400, Ulvah, KY 41731
Kingdom Come	Bert Fields HC 84, Box 1968, Whitesburg, KY 41858
Poor Fork	Joe Ison HC 67, Box 1160 Partridge, KY 40862
Big Cowan	Ray Fields Day Station, Whitesburg, KY 41858 PH: (606) 633-4747
Little Mary	Bill T. Hamm HC 67, Box 7822, Paintsville, KY 41240
Mount Zion	Leon Short HCR 60, Box 1050 Hindman, KY 41822 PH: (606) 785-5490
Friendship	George Shea 480 Jake Faw Rd., Waynesburg, KY 40489
Little Bethlehem	Don Pratt Box 705, Big Smith Branch Rd., Sassafras, KY 41759 PH: (606) 642-3815
Little Bethany	Hershell Short P.O. Box 35, Jeffersonville, KY 40337
Garden of Love	Gary Everage 422 N. Front St., St. Mary's OH 45885

Delegates to the 1991 Association

Cedar Grove	Danny Dixon, Taylor Watson, Willie Walters
New Home	Bill Moore, Chester Gibson, Harlas Watts
Defeated Creek	Matt Cornett, Marvin Miller, Keith Smith

Reynolds Fork	Paul Watson, Hillard Johnson, Ernest Sexton
Little Bull Creek	Earl Combs, Wayne Caudill, Virgil Combs
Ivy Point	Monroe Slone, Darrell Slone, Alonzo Mosley
Little Dove	Ivan Amburgey, John Preece, Merle Smith
Tolson Creek	Quentin Day, Bill Meade, Woodrow Whitaker
Dixon Memorial	Lester Short, Carl Back, Roger Whitaker
Big Creek	Doug Gibson, Coburn Ison, Colonel Eldridge
Happy Home	Alger Mullins, Luther Ashley, Landis Everage
New Bethlehem	Carl Slone, Melvin Creech, Odis Ritchie
Clear Fork	Delza Young, Truby Cornett, Mart Shepherd
Northern New Home	Layton Phipps, Mark Dotson, E. Robert Miller
Blair Branch	Ellis Adams, Rodney Ison, Van Blair
Mt. Olivet	I.D. Back, Agnan Back, Jerry Caudill
Little Zion	Ross S. Hill, Roger Gibson, Gillis Reedy
Hurricane Gap	Arthur Smith, Charles Shepherd, Freddie Frazier
Kingdom Come	Bert Fields, Roger Fields, Michael Sizemore
Poor Fork	Harvey Creech, Joe Steely, Eugene Wilder
Big Cowan	Jerry Day, L.P. Sumpter, Charles Raleigh
Little Mary	Lonnie Gregory, Emory Caudill, Clifford Hughes
Mount Zion	Donald Collins, L.D. Mosley, Carl Mosley
Friendship	George Shea, Riley Kendricks, Victor Campbell
Little Bethlehem	H.B. Reedy, Sr., H.B. Reedy, Jr., John Reedy
Little Bethany	Hurley Short, Ralph Slone, Hershell Short
Garden of Love	Gary Mosley, Timothy Smith, Don Francis

Ordained Ministers

Name	Address, Phone Number
Ellis Adams	633-9740
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Ivan Amburgey	785-4249
	Pinetop, KY 41843

Carl Back	633-4344
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I.D. Back	633-0749
	Blackey, KY 41804
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	Jeremiah, KY 41826
Jerry Caudill	642-3519
	Box 97, Viper, KY 41774
Wayne Caudill	633-5982
	P.O. Box 351, Blackey, KY 41804
Donald Collins	785-3774
	HCR 60, Box 1020, Hindman, KY 41822
Robert Combs	439-2198
	RR2, Box 206, Hazard, KY 41701
Carson Cornett	476-2943
	Jeff, KY 41751
Elwood Cornett	633-9269
	HC 21 Box 1027, Blackey, KY 41804
Charles Craft	268-8714
	151 Todds Rd., Box 27, Lexington, KY 40509
Calvin Creech	785-4816
	Star Rt. 1, Box 67, Emmalena, KY 41740
Harvey Creech	589-5798
	Partridge, KY 40862
Curl Dixon	724-7170
	14908 Chad Lane, Williamsburg, OH 45176
Danny Dixon	633-0804
	Ulvah, KY 41856
Colonel Eldridge	654-3263
	Milan, IN 47031
Lloyd Eldridge	432-5054
	Rt. 1, Box 85C, Dillsboro, IN 47018

Bert Fields	633-9129
	HC 84, Box 1968, Whitesburg, KY 41858
Jim Fields	633-7014
	HC 63, Box 1480, Hallie, KY 41821
Chester Gibson	785-3709
	Leburn, KY 41831
Roger Gibson	476-8658
	Box 383, Viper, KY 41774
Gene Greer	None Listed
	Rutledge, TN
Lonnie Gregory	876-3301
	Rt. 5, Box 378-A, Morehead, KY 40351
Bill Halcomb	896-6800
	1259 James Rd., Hamilton, OH
Clifton Hampton	633-0428
	HC 84, Box 2452, Whitesburg, KY 41858
Reed Hampton	None Listed
	Roxanna, KY 41848
Clark Hays	642-3715
	Box 1395, Red Fox, KY 41847
Aster Jent	(717) 472-1650
	285 E. 9th St., Peru, IN
David Jent	633-1441
	HC 67, Box 905, Blackey, KY 41804
Kirby Jent	633-8091
	HC 67, Box 800, Blackey, KY 41804
Truman Jent	633-8744
	HC 67, Box 1000, Blackey, KY 41806
Bill Moore	785-4888
	Leburn, KY 41831
Alonzo Mosley	785-3430
	Box 155, Garner, KY 41817
Earl Mosley	785-5344
	HC 75, Box 10805, Leburn, KY 41817

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	3667 Thayer Rd., Lima, OH 45804
L.D. Mosley	785-0146
	Hindman, KY 41822
Alger Mullins	642-3747
	HC 60, Box 6060, Litt Carr, KY 41834
Ollie Mullins	642-3952
	HCR 74, Box 2025, Amburgey, KY 41801
Layton Phipps	877-2683
	9577 Jackson Runyan Rd., Pleasant Plain, OH 45162
Donald K. Pratt	642-3815
	Box 705, Big Smith Branch Rd., Sassafras, KY 41759
Euel Ratliff	324-9793
	3409 Slem St., Ashland, KY 41101
H.B. Reedy, Jr.	436-4855
	Hazard, KY 41701
H.B. Reedy, Sr.	785-5719
	Box 31, Brinkley, KY 41805
Odis Ritchie	251-3683
	Talcum, KY
J. Nelson Seals	642-3094
	Litt Carr, KY 41834
Lonnie Sexton	642-3128
	HC 60, Box 7130, Litt Carr, KY 41834
Charles Shepherd	589-5458
	HC 77, Box 90 Gordon, KY 41819
Darrell Short	785-5396
	Leburn, KY 41831
Hurley Short	None Listed
	Box 35, Jeffersonville, KY 40337
Albert Slone	None Listed
	Topmost, KY 41862

Carl Slone	785-5595
	Hindman, Ky 41822
James Slone	None Listed
	Hope, KY 40334
Milburn Slone	785-5863
	Garner, KY 41817
Ralph Slone, Jr.	None Listed
	Versailles, KY 40383
Ralph Slone, Sr.	(606) 262-5197
	Springfield, KY 40069
Homer Smith	633-0281
	HC 71, Box 801, Jeremiah, KY 41826
J.C. Sparks	785-3386
	Hindman, KY 41822
Irvin Stollings	631-7085
	2274 Madison Ave., Norwood, OH 45212
Carl Ray Tuttle	None Listed
	East McDowell, KY 41623
Jack Varney	575-4256
	1379 Fay Rd., Loveland, OH 45140
Squire Watts	642-3504
	Red Fox, KY 41847
Allen Whitaker	633-9486
	HC 71, Box 624, Jeremiah, KY 41826
Roger Whitaker	633-9486
	HCR 85, Box 2194 Premium, KY 41845
Rulah Whitaker	633-5819
	HC 85, Box 1882, Isom, KY
Eugene Wilder	848-5480
	Box 178, Lynch, KY
Alton Young	785-3017
	Mallie, KY 41836

Church Addresses

Church	Address
Cedar Grove	off Hwy. 7, on Hwy. 1103, Hallie, KY
New Home	Hwy. 550, Leburn, KY
Defeated Creek	off Hwy. 1103 about one mile, Defeated Creek
Reynolds Fork	on Hwy. 1393, Mallie, KY
Little Bull Creek	Carcassonne, Blackey, KY
Ivy Point	on Hwy. 550, Garner, KY
Little Dove	on Little Dove Rd., off Hwy. 15, Sassafras, KY
Tolson Creek	Hwy. 588, Roxanna, KY
Dixon Memorial	on Hwy. 7, Jeremiah, KY
Big Creek	off Hwy. 7, Dupont, IN
Happy Home	Amburgey, KY
New Bethlehem	off Hwy. New 80, one mile marker, Talcum, KY
Clear Fork	RR2, Hazard, KY, on Hwy. 1088, Lotts Creek
Northern New Home	Stumpy Lane, Goshen, OH
Blair Branch	on Hwy. 7, Jeremiah, KY
Mt. Olivet	on Hwy. 588, Blackey, KY
Little Zion	on Hwy. 7 & 15, Jeff, KY
Hurricane Gap	on Hwy. 160 Gordon, KY
Kingdom Come	off Hwy. 160 on 588 (River Road)
Poor Fork	Cumberland, KY
Big Cowan	on Hwy. 931S
Little Mary	off Rt. 32 on Rt. 1895, 8 miles North of Morehead, KY
Mount Zion	off Hwy. 160 up Perkins Branch, Hindman, KY
Friendship	Hwy. 27, North from Somerset, then 228
Little Bethlehem	on Hwy. 160 Brinkley, KY
Little Bethany	off Hwy. 11 on Sawmill Rd., Jeffersonville, KY
Garden of Love	9th and Chaddom, Lima, OH

Statistical Table

Church	Rec'd by Exp. & Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Rec'd by Rec. and/or Applic. by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Lost by Death	Excluded	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Saturday Service Time	Contribution
Cedar Grove	13	0	0	0	0	8	2	185	4	9:30	300
New Home	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	47	1	9:30	100
Defeated Creek	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	2	9:30	150
Reynolds Fork	5	0	0	0	4	1	0	48	3	9:30	160
Little Bull Creek	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	74	3	6:00	100
Ivy Point	18	0	0	0	4	2	7	66	4	6:00	100
Little Dove	7	1	0	0	0	1	2	143	2	9:30	300
Tolson Creek	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	30	4	9:30	75
Dixon Memorial	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	52	4	9:30	75
Big Creek	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	22	4	6:30	125
Happy Home	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	32	1	9:30	125
New Bethlehem	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	3	9:30	100
Clear Fork	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	31	1	6:00	80
Northern New Home	7	3	1	0	0	0	2	102	4	6:00	100
Blair Branch	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	91	3	6:30	225
Mt. Olivet	4	2	1	1	0	1	0	143	1	6:30	300
Little Zion	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	28	2	6:30	125
Hurricane Gap	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	36	3	6:30	125
Kingdom Come	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	13	1	9:30	50
Poor Fork	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	37	1	6:30	125
Big Cowan	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	43	4	9:30	150
Little Mary	1	3	0	0	5	0	2	33	2	6:00	125
Mount Zion	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	2	6:30	50
Friendship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	5:00	25
Little Bethlehem	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	35	4	9:30	100
Little Bethany	1	6	0	0	4	0	3	14	4	6:30	50
Garden of Love	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	3	7:00	50
Totals	97	22	7	1	18	28	26	1,410			3,440

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**

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| 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 the _____
 Saturday and Sunday of each month.

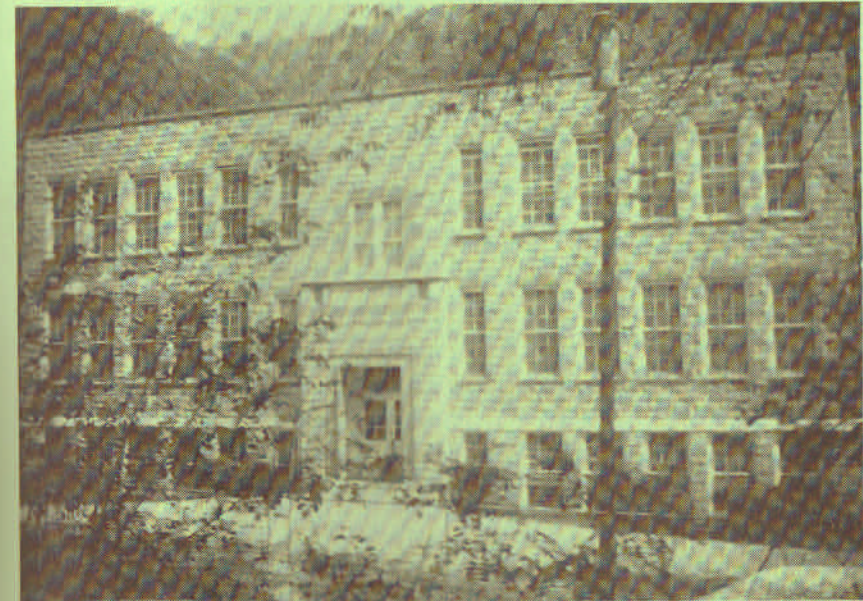
Dear Brethren, pray for us, that Zion may have a travailing spirit among us.

Done and signed by order of the church.

Elder _____	Moderator _____
Brother _____	Clerk _____
_____	(Clerk's Address)

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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 1/2 mile to Association.
2. From Hindman, Kentucky, leave KY 80 on KY 160 South about 10 miles to KY 15; turn right, follow KY 15 about 4 miles to Sassafras, follow signs as in direction #1.
3. From Whitesburg, Kentucky, follow KY 15 West to Sassafras – about 20 miles; follow signs as in direction #1.
4. Accommodations for campers will be provided for and available on the building parking lot.