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FRIDAY SESSION - AUGUST 4, 1967

The Northern New Salem Assoisation of old Regular Baptist met at the Little Family Church at Jacksonsburg, Ohio, August 4, 5, 6, 1967 pursuant to adjournment in 1966.

After singing a choice selection of the harmonious songs of Zion. Elder Josua Hicks introduced the
services and offered prayer. Truly his prayer was
directed from heaven, for it brought rejoicing from
the hearts of God's little hungry children. The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder Hiram
Adkins Isaias 53rd Chapter and the 3rd verse. "He
is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrow.
and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were
our faces from him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not." Brother Adkins was blessed with
much wisdom being able to explain how that Isaiah
forsaw the coming of Jesus Christ, and that He did
suffer humiliation and shame for lost mankind.

Elder Baxter Osborne our moderator invited the delegates and messengers to assemble themselves

together in a house prepared for them by the brethren of Little Family Church.

Elder Alex Rakes, introduced the services with kind and inspirational council, Elder Burton Howard offered prayer.

Elder Baxter Osborne our Moderator came forward and with a few kind remarks, he welcomed our brethren and sisters and friends and explained the reason why we had come together at this place.

He then called the association to order and proceeded to work in the following manner.

- Letters from the churches that compose our Association were called for and correctly noted. By move and second the letter from the Little Family Church was read. By motion all the letters were received and their delegates were seated in said order. Querries and requests were referred to the committee on arrangements.
- 2. The Association was organized by electing Elder Bater Osboxrne, Moderator; Elder Sidney Hudson, Assistant Moderator; Elder Roy B. Akers, Clerk; and Elder Claude Ousley, Assistant Clerk.
- Resolved that the Moderator make all temporary appointments.
- 4. Appointed committee on ministry consisting of one delegate from each Church, with the entire delegation from the Little Family church to arrange preaching for Friday night and Saturday, who reported: Elder's Charlie Johnson, and Banner Manne for Friday night, and Elder's J. B. Elswick, R. E.

Holbrook, John Moore, and Alex Rakes for Saturday.

- Called for Churches desiring to join our union, none responded.
- By move and second the Articles of Faith, Constitution, and Rules of Decorum were read.
- Called for letters from Associations of our faith and order desiring to continue correspondence with us and received their letter and file of minutes.
- (a) NEW SALEM: Messengers; Brothers Burton Howard, Banner Manns, Coy Combs, Monroe Ousley, Paul Hudson Harry Moore, John C. Mullins, Troy Beverly, Jinks Ray, Perry Tackett, R. E. Holbrooks, Henry Blair, Hager Watts, Millard Moore, Woodroe Dye, Glenn Pack and Ross Hopkins who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council.
- (b) UNION: Messengers; Brothers John M. Mullins, Bruce Mullins, Harless Potter, Evins Bailey, Dewey Sexton, Sam Wright, Alex Rakes, and Thurston Bowman who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and to aid us in council
- (c) PHILADELPHIA: Received their letters and file of minutes. Messengers; Brothers Fred Akers, Shady Smith, Thomas Johnson, John Ison. John Moore, Perry Johnson, and Walter Morrison, who was received by the right hand of fellowships and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council.

- (d) SARDIS: Received their letter and the of minutes. Messengers: Brothers Edwin May. Chester Dials, and Charlie Johnson who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council
- (e) INDIAN BOTTOM: Received their letter and file of minutes. Messengers; Brothers Carl Caudill, Earnest Ward, Ishmal Clark, Rex Ison, Steve Day, Irmel Ison, Olas Baldridge, Alonzo Allen, Silas Frazier, James Combs, Kelly Day, Curt Short, Hershell Baldridge, Melvin Blair, Riley Fouts, and Delmar Raleigh who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council.
- (f) MUD RIVER: Received their letter and file of minutes. Messenger; Brother Luther W. Ball Jr. who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council.
- Called for Associations desiring to take up correspondence with us and none responded.
- 9. Called for transient members and ministers and received the following; Elders Johnnie Bentley, Charles Keesee, Roy Hamilton, Covis Tackett, Ellis Amburgey, H. N. Vanderpool. Melvin Watts and Hiram Adkins. Brothers Okie Kent, Tip Daniels, Birtus Dunbar, Sam Francks. Clyde Blankinship, Lonnie Mounts, Karrel Addington, and Irvin Hicks who was received by the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us and aid us in council.

- 10. By move and second the Northern New Salem Association agreed to correspond with the following Associations of our faith and order. (a) NEW SALEM, (b) UNION (c) PHILADELPHIA (d) SARDIS (e) INDIAN BOTTOM and (f) MUD RIVER.
- Appointed committee on arrangements consisting of one delegate from each church the Moderator and Clerk of the Association and transient members and ministers to draw up a bill of arrangements to work from on Saturday.
- By move and second the association agreed to adjourn until 9 a.m. Saturday morning.

SATURDAY - AUGUST 5, 1967

Met pursuent to adjournment. After singing a few of the old songs of Zion Elder Coy Combs was invited to make remarks and offer prayer. His prayer inspired the soul of every delegate present to work in harmony with the spirit of God. After prayer, the Association proceeded to work in the following manner under the leadership of our beloved Moderator.

- 1. Called the roll and noted the absentees.
- Read the bill of arrangements and discharged the committee.
- 3. The circular letter written by Elder Delmar Williams was read by him. By move and second it was received and ordered printed in our minutes. By the same move Elder Forrest Osborne is to write one

for approval at our next annual session of the Association.

- 4. Appointed a committee on finance as follows: Brothers John M. Mullins, Hiram Adkins, and Ralph Caudill who reported the sum of \$690.00 contributed by the churches, \$70.00 for pictures making a total of \$760.00
- 5. Called for the treasurers report who reported as follows:

Contributions

Money on hand August 5, 1966	\$182.82
Received from churches 1966	645.00
Received for pictures 1966	55.00
Donations	72.00
Total on hand August 5, 1966	971.82

Expenses 1966

Cost of printing (4500) Minutes	\$330.00
Postage and insurance	10.73
Miscellaneous	10.43
Treasurers fee	50.00
Traveling expenses to Huntington, W. Va	50.00
Total expenses	451.16
Balance on hand August 5, 1967	\$520.66

- 6. By move and second the Association agreed to re-emburse the treasurer \$50.00 for expenses traveling to Huntington, W, Va.
- 7. By move and second the treasurers report was received. By the same move Elder Roy B. Akers was appointed treasurer, and it is to have 4500 copies of

these minutes printed and distributed among the Churches. The printers fee is to appear on the front cover.

- 8. Moved and second to have obituaries of our deceased members printed in these minutes. By the same move the obituary of our friend Curtis B. Slone is also to be printed. Pictures can be had at members expense.
- 9. Moved and second that all obituaries be type written and double spaced
- 10. Called on brethren who agreed to attend union meetings and Associations to report. The faithful were commended and the failures were excused.
- 11. The moderator asked for volunteers who would agree to attend Sister Associations this year and the following responded. NEW SALEM: When convened with the Little Etta Church, Beaver, Ohio beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 1967. Brethren: Claude Ousley, Anthony Hamilton, Sid and Homer, John Mullins. Virgil Fields, Ray Hamilton, Bob Hunter, Tip Daniels, H. N. Vanderpool, Delmar Williams, Amos Williams, Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Roy Hamilton, Charles Keesee, Buford Brock, Hiram Adkins, Walter Mullins, Paris Tackett, Ray Hoover, George Hamilton, Robert Wallen, Forest Osborne, Albert Hamilton, Covis Tackett, Hillard Profitt, Irvin Hicks, Joshua Hicks, Offie Bartley, Ballard Brown, Ellis Hopkins, and Hershall Sturgill. Letter in the hands of brother John Mullins.

UNION: When convened with the Dorton Church, Dorton, Pike County. Ky., beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September 1967. Brethren to attend: Buford Brock Walter Mullins, Ferrel Ratliff, Johnnie Bently, Sam Francks, Anthony Hamilton, Sid Hudson, Homer Elliott, Roy Hamilton, Paris Tackett, John Mullins, Roy Caudill, Hendricks Hampton, Albert Hamilton, Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Claude Ousley, Covis Tackett, Harold Varney, Ray Hoover, Clyde Blankinship, Bill Rose, and Roman Mullins. Letter in the hands of Roy B. Akers.

PHILADELPHIA: When convened with the Mt. Olivet Church Warnock, Greenup County, Ky., beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August, 1967. Brethren to attend: Paris Tackett, Hiram Adkins, Sid Hudson, Homer Elliott, Roy Hamilton, Offie Bartley, Bill Hamilton, Woodroe Thacker, John Mullins, Hershall Sturgill, Claude Ousley, Delmar Williams, Charles Keesee, Wilbur Lee Hamilton, Anthony Hamilton, Baxter Osborne, Alonzo Tackett, and Sam Francks. Letter in the hands of Elder Paris Tackett.

SARDIS: When convened with the Bent Branch Church, Meta, Pike County, Ky., beginning on Firday before the second Saturday in September, 1967. Brethren to attend: Sid Hudson, Homer Elliott, H. N. Vanderpool, Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Paris Tackett, Charles Keesee, Harold Varney, Okie Kent, Hiram Adkins, Alonzo Tackett, John Mullins. Shade Meeks, Covis Tackett, Roy Hamilton, Virgil Fields. Clyde Blankinship, Jubel Music, and Anthony Hamilton. Letter in the hands of Elder Baxter Osborn.

INDIAN BOTTOM: When convened with the Leatherwood Church, Cornettsville, Perry County, Ky., beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 167. Brethren to attend. Sid Hudson, Homer Elliott, Buford Brock, Paris Tackett, Baxter Osborne, Roy Caudill, Winford Riddle, Hershall Sturgill, Roy Hamilton, Hillard Profitt, Claude Ousley, Buddy Carty. Lawrence Day, Anthony Hamilton, Forest Osborne, Covis Tackett, Irvin Hicks, Bill Dunbar, Lloyd Smith, Charles Keesee, and Ivan Amburgey. Letter in the hands of Elder Roy Caudill.

MUD RIVER: When convened with the providence Church, St. Albans, Kanawha County, W. Va., beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1967. Brethren to attend: Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Arthur Tackett, Lloyd Smith, and Bill Dunbar. Letter in the hands of Elder Baxer Osborne.

- 11. Appointed same committee that acted Friday to arrange ministery for Saturday night and Sunday, who reported: For Saturday night: Elder Troy Sparkman, Alex Collier, and Hershall Surgill. For Sunday: Elders Roy B. Akers, Edwin May, Melvin Watts, and Baxter Osborne.
- 12. In answer to the request from the Little Maudie Church to have Woodroe Fuller published in disorder, their request was granted. Also, in answer to a request from the Little Pilgrams Home Church to have Worley Kid published in disorder, their re-

quest was granted. These two former ministers are not preaching under our patronage.

13. Then took up the request from the Little Rebecca Church concerning double married preachers. It was moved and seconded that the Northern New Salem Association not to preach them. An objection was made and a vote was taken. 13 voted for the move to stand, and 31 voted against the move, and to advise the churches as follows: To let the three brothers that we now have preach as long as they live. Be it further advised, that the Northern New Salem Association will not tolerate the starting of any man that is double married to preach from this day on.

(This decision is the will of the majority and should be strictly obeyed. Clerk)

14. In answer to a request from the Maggie's Home Church concerning a sound system installed in the Little Ida Church. The Association answered as follows. A committee was appointed from our corresponding Associations together with the entire committee from the Little Ida Church. They were advised to withdraw themselves to a desirable place to try and affect a compromise on the difference of opinions. After a reasonable effort had been made the committee reported that they were unable to reconcile the committee on the question. It was then move that the Association grant the Little Ida Church one year under the examination of a committee appointed by the Moderator, and said committee to report at our next Association. An objection was made to this move, and a vote was called

for 32 delegates voted against the move, and 23 voted for it. Answer: The Little Ida Church was advised to remove the sound system from the Church.

15. There was four requests for the Association in 1968. Namely: Little Memory, Little Jewel, Little Rebecca, and Little Angel. After careful and lovely consideration of all these requests had been made, it was moved and seconded that the Association convene with the Little Angel Church Columbus, Ohio. Beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1968 and continuing the two following days. And, that Elder Sidney Hudson preach the introductory sermon and Elder H. N. Vanderpool be his alternate.

16. By move and second the reading of the current minutes were omitted.

17. Resolved that we express our deepest appreciation to all of the members and friends for their untiring efforts to make this session of our association one that will linger long in the minds of all those that attended it. It is impossible to remember all the churches and friends that contributed money and time for this cause. However, when you read this you will know that whether we know you or not, the eyes of the Lord is ever over those that respond to a worthy cause and will reward you according to the fullness of your faith. God bless you all.

18. By move and second the Associaion agreed to adjourn to the time and place mentioned in item 15 for their 11th annual session. This completed the work of the Association. The Association was closed

by Elder Bruce Mullins of the Union Association who made some unforgettable remarks and a prayer that was tempered with the tranquil beauties of heaven, and flavored with the fragrance of Zion's holy mountains.

Done and signed by order of the Association
Elder Baxter Osborne, Moderator
Elder Sidney Hudson, Assistant Moderator
Elder Roy B. Akers, Clerk
Elder Claude Ousley, Assistant Clerk

SABBATH MORNING - AUGUST 6, 1967

It's always a blessing to try to describe the beginning and ending of our Association. Those which
are priviledged to travel this tedious journey that
leads to a blessful land of peace and joy, have become acquainted with the sorrows and the burdens
of the cross. At night time these sorrows seem to be
the greatest, but thanks be unto our God who
brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ
through the blood of the everlasting covenent, our
joys and rejoicings will be so sweet in that morning
when all the dead that have died in hope and have
overcome the power of the grave shall arise to sorrow no more.

Surely God was mindful of the desires of His little children for a beautiful sun shiny day. It seemed that the Sun had never shined with a more golden brilliance nor was the promise of a joyful ending more in evidence as the house begin to overflow with pilgrims and friends of the Little Family Church. If the darkness of dispair had troubled the children of hope, it was soon dispelled when the melodious tones of Zions songs began to sound. In the midst of the singing and shouting the eternal praises of the Lord our God, Elder Roy B. Akers came to the stand with a deep feeling of emotion and humility to try by the spirit of God to introduce the services and offer prayer. Your servant felt that his prayer was in tune with heaven and the host of angels that abides there.

Next on the stand was Elder Hiram Adkins. substituting for Elder Edwin May who could not be with us because of prior engagements. Brother Adkins was wonderfully bless with a mighty down pouring of God power. Love and unity was the theme of his sermon. Third on the stand was Elder Melvin Watts. Being blessed with a full measure of God's inspiring spirit he preached out the plan of salvation and repentance neglecting not the whole council of God. Elder Baxter Osborne our beloved moderator closed out the services with an old time regular baptist heart searching, soul inspiring sermon that revealed the wisdom and compassion of a man dedicated to the full and complete cause of Jesus Christ our eternal King. He preached from the 26th Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles and the 28th verse. "Then Agrippa said unto Paul. Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian" Candor compells the writer to state that "the river of water which makes glad the city of our God, and the fountains of water that sprang up in the house of King David" was never made plainer, nor revealed as much essence of glory as did the wonderful picture that was unfolded from heaven and beautifully explained by Brother Osborne. Meekness and fear urges me to say that the heavier the burdens that this man of God has to bear, the more joyful is his blessings. When the lovely sound of the age old song" Grace 'tis a charming sound" begin to ring out a true manifestation of the spirit of God was evident. Shouting and singing the praises of God proceeded from the hearts of every one that strives to live faithfully in this temporary life on earth. This marked the closing of the 10th annual session of the Northern New Salem Association. So dear brethren and sisters let us not hinder the love and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ from abounding in our hearts, that we may demonstrate to the world that surely there is reality in the religion of Him who died for us.

> Humbly your clerk, Roy B. Akers

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren of the Northern New Salem Association:

It was moved and seconded at your last session that I write a circular letter for your approval or rejection. As I feel my weakness, I pray that God will direct my mind according to his will, while I now make this effort to comply with your request. My only hope is that I might write this letter that would meet the approval of God and of this Association. I pray that the great God of Heaven, with his

Holy Spirit, that would move upon me, that. I might be led by the Spirit of God.

I will use the following verses of Scriptures:

St. John, Chapter 3, verse 16—For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

So brethren, what is the world? The world is none other than sinner men and women who have sinned against God. Now brethren when does a man come into the world? Not when he is born an infant, for when a babe is born upon this earth it is under the arc of safety until it grows into manhood or womanhood, which is the state of mind in which they receive the law of good and evil, which is to know right from wrong. I believe that every man and woman that has reached the place where they fill their condemnation, the Spirit of God has made it manifest to them that they are sinners in the sight of God, and at that very time and place they could accept the Light and receive everlasting life, and that Light is Jesus Christ, the son of God. The reason that people go down to hell, is because they will not accept the Light. I believe every man and woman that comes into the world, a reproving Light teaches them that they are on the wrong way, a way that leads down to destruction, and the Bible says and many there be which go in thereat.

Brothers, when I was just a small boy, being a sinner, one day a great fear came upon me. I knew that I was doing the wrong things, because that reproving Light would tell me that I was in the wrong way, the one that led down to destruction, and if I had not stopped and turned around and begged God to have mercy on my soul and to forgive me of my sins, I would have died without God and without hope in his dear Son, and would have gone down to the world of the lost, out of God's reach.

Some people say that a man or woman doesn't have anything to do with the saving of their soul. Brethren, if they never quit sinning, they will never be saved. He that believeth in his is not condemned, he that believeth not, is already condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. So people that don't believe in the Light are already lost. I know we could not do enough work with our hands or give enough to the poor to save us, but understand this, unbelief won't save us either. Jesus says, if ye believe not that I am He, ye shall die in your sins, Where I am, ye cannot come.

St. John. Chapter 12, verse 36, says while you have the Light, believe in the Light that ye may be the children of Light. So before a man or woman can become a child of God, they must believe in God. Repent, Jesus says except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Become sorry and beg God to have mercy on you. A sinner suffers for every sin they have committed. Become willing to offer this life and say take the body and do with it as it pleases thee, but save the soul. I have done all I know to do, I said all I know to say, save me or I perish. Man must satisfy the wrath of God. I believe God will take over and do that which man cannot do. As

Jesus says, you must be regenerated and born again, not of a corruptable seed, but by an incorruptable seed. By the word of God which liveth in and abideth forever. What does the word regenerated mean? It means to make something new out of something old. In other words a change has taken place in a man's life. The spirit of man has been born of the spirit of God, which makes this Adams man a new creature. His ways of life has been changed. No more will you find men and women that have experienced a change committing abominations such as Adultery, Lying, Fornication. Drunkenness, or any other things that are contrary to the Spirit of God, and his birth is in Christ.

Second Corinthians, Chapter 5, verse 17; Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new.

Ezekiel, 36. 26; Says, a new heart also will I give you and a new Spirit will I put within you and I will take away he stoney heart out of your flesh and I will give you a heart of flesh and I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes.

Brethren. I believe when God saved my soul he took away the stoney heart, a heart that desired evil and gave me a heart of flesh, a heart full of love. He took away the evil Spirit and put his Spirit in me. Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. He lifted my feet out of he mire and clay, and set them on a rock and that rock is Jesus Christ. He established my goings, he put a new song in my

mouth and set me in a narrow way, the way that leads to Heaven. That Holy fire burned out every sin that was in me. I have never wanted to go back into the world or a desire to. Jesus says I have chosen you out of the world, therefore you are no more of the world. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the father is not in him. For all that is in the world the lust of flesh, and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life is not of the father, but is of the world and the world passes away and the lust thereof, but he that doeth the will of God, abideth forever. Let the peace of God dule in your hearts, to which also ye are called in one body, and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord and whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father. By him, I must close this letter, least it get to lengthy. So brethren, be good to one another. The Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him. The righteous cry and the Lord heareth and delivereth them out of all their troubles. If I never meet with you again on this earth, I believe with my whole heart that I will meet with you around the dazzling throne of God. So farewell brethren and sisters. Let brotherly love continue.

Written by your unworthy brother in Christ Elder Delmer Williams

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

- 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and sent to represent them in the Association, and upon their producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat.
- In the letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.
- 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in the union.
- The Association, when convened, shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.
 - 5. The Association shall have a moderator, an

assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant clerk chosen by the members present.

- 6. New churches may be admitted into the Union, who shall petition by letter and delegates, and if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received, and every church in the Union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association.
- 7. Every query presented by the church to the Association, being first debated in their own churches, shall be taken up by the Association.
- 8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association except when withdrawn by the one who made it.
- 9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of Association.
- 10. We think it necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each church in the Union to contribute such sums as they think proper, and send it by their delegates to the Association, and such sums to be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer chosen by the Association, who shall be accountable for the money paid him by the Association, and paid out according to the Association.
- 11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be recorded by the Secretary apopinted by the Association, who shall receive a compensation for his services.
 - 12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read.

and corrected if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises unless the same is dispensed with.

- 13. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by the majority of the Union, if deemed necessary.
- 14. All matters coimng before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present, except in receiving and dismissing churches and Associations which shall be by a unanimous vote.
- 15. The Association shall have the power for the general union of the churches; to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the churches; to give churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the churches failing to represent themselves at any time in the Association, to appropriate the money contributed by the churches for the Association fund, to any purpose they may think proper; to appoint any member, by their consent to transact any business which they see necessary, and they shall have the power to withdraw from any church in the Union, which shall violate the rules of the Association, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; to admit any orderly minister of our order to a seat with us. The Association shall have the right to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

- 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, and these three are one, equal in power, essence and glory. Isiah 45:5, 1st Cor. 8:6, 1st John 5:7.
- 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practices. 2nd Peter 1:21, 1st Timothy 3:16, 2nd Timothy 3:16
- We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.
 For by grace are ye saved through Faith. Isa. 42:1,
 Eph. 2:8.
- 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin, and of man's inability to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, therefore a Saviour is needed for our redemption. Gen. 2:7, Romans 5:12.
- 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance, and believe in the gospel, and regenration of the soul, and sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, and none such shall fall away and be lost. Prov. 8:4, Matt. 9:13, Mark 2:17, 2nd Timothy 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23.
- 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of JESUS CHRIST. 2nd Timothy 1:9, Luke 18:13-14, Acts 13:39.
- 7. We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's church on earth, and the mode is, IMMER-SION back foremost so as to cover all over. Matt. 3:14, Luke 1:9-10, John 1:31-32-33, Romans 6:4, Eph. 4:5.

- 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Saviour, and that by the use of bread and fruit of the vine and feet-washing should be kept up until His second coming, by His believers. Luke 22:10-12, John 13:7-8, 12-17, 1st Timothy 5:9-10.
- We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, and that the joys of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal. John 5:28-29, 1st Cor. 15:51-52, Luke 24:46.
- 10. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel except such as are regularly ordained and baptized, and that by immersion, by a legal administrator of the gospel, and has come under the hands of a regular presbytery of the church. Acts 13:2-3, Romans 1:6, Titus 1:6.
- 11. We believe it is the duty of all church members to contribute for defraying all reasonable expenses of the church, never forgetting the poor according to their several abilities. Acts 11:29, Romans 15:26, 1st Cor. 16:1-2.
- 12. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage, or indulge people in their sins, or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving Faith in CHRIST for salvation, is erroneous, and such doctrine will be rejected by us. Matt. 16:12, Acts 8:16-21, Romans 16:17-18, Eph. 4:14-15, Gal. 18:9-10.
- 13. We believe that the Church of CHRIST is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ, who have obtained fellowship with the Lord, and with

one another, and have given themselves to the Lord, and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the gospel. John 11:8-11, Acts 2:42, 1st John 1:3.

- 14. We believe that JESUS CHRIST is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon His shoulders. Isiah 9:6-7, 22:21-22, Luke 1:33.
- 15. None of the above articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, or indirectly, nor to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these articles be altered without legal notice, and free consent. John 3:16. Heb. 2:9.

RULES OF DECORUM

- The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
- The Association shall have a moderator, an assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant clerk chosen by the members present.
- Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall arise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.
- 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.
- 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

- 6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.
- No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.
- 8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.
- No member of the Association shall address another in any other term or appellation than that of "Brother."
- 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any member from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of the decorum.
- 11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
- 12. The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member provided the chair be filled. And he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.
- 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the decorum shall be reproved by the Association as they think proper.

Obituaries



FREDDIE GENE SOWARDS

With much sadness I will try to write the obituary of my beloved son, Freddie Gene Sowards.

Freddie was born March 25, 1956. He deceased this life June 10, 1967. He was killed by a car while riding his bike home fro mworking for a neighbor. He was such a cute little fellow and had so many friends. He was so generous and thoughtful, if he saw the neighbors working in the yard or garden he was right there helping them. He loved to joke, yet when he got serious he had the wisdom of an old man.

We miss him so much. I can still see his sweet smile and hear him call at night "Good Night Everybody." He dearly loved his family. I feel our loss is Heavens gain and long to see him in Heaven some sweet day. I thank God for loaning him to us for eleven short years that we had him. He leave to mourn his passing his parents Jonah and Cheri Ray Sowards. Two brothers, Jonah Kent, and Williams Lawson. One sister Nancy Elizabeth all of New Boston, Michigan. His Maternal Grandparents, H. B. and Maggie Ray of Detroit, Michigan. Several Aunts and Uncles and many, many friends.

> Written by his mother Cheri Sowards



JANE and TIVIS BOLEN

By requset of the family I will write the obituary of Tivis Bolen and Jane Conley Bolen, his wife. Tivis Bolen son of Enoch Bolen and Jane Miser Bolen was born March 1, 1871. Jane Conley daughter of Margaret Conley both born in Floyd County, now Knott County, married in their youthful days. When Tivis married Jane she had one son, Felix Coburn, who died since she died. To this union were born 10 children, two of whom died in infancy.

One died at 16 to 18 years of age, her name was May Bolen. She was a good, kind girl. She would help sing and she liked to sing, she also liked to sing "Come up here Little Bessie come up here and live with Me." Living to mourn their loss are 7 children, 5 boys, 2 girls, Kelley, Bee, Elza Bolen of Garrett, Ky. Kennell and Lee Bolen of Mousie, Ky., Rosa Bolen, Jackson, Ohio, and Mauda Conley, McGuffee, Ohio, also 53 grandchildren. 106 great grandchildren, and 6 great-great-grandchildren Elza Bolen and Rosa Bolen has professed a hope in Christ. Jane joined the Stonecoal Church July first, Sunday, 1912 was baptized the same day by Rev. Morgan Slone. I have seen her shouting and praising God. She tended church as long as she lived and was able to go. She died February 7, 1951. Tivis joined in the year of 1914 at Stonecoal Church. They both attended church all they could reasonably. They lived on a farm and worked hard to raise their family. After Jane died, being alone he needed someone to help him. About seven years later Tivis married Larabell Slone. He also leaves her to morn his loss. He attended church as long as he was able. He would start walking to church after he was over 90 years old. They gave their children good advice and were good examples to their neighbors. He died February 19, 1966. His agé was 94 years, 11 months and 19 days. To his children who have not made peace with God; they should remember the good advice that they gave their children.

Written by Reece Bolen, brother in Hope and their son Elza Bolen



B. J. MOORE

It's with much sadness, but with fond memories that I attempt to chronicle a brief obituary of Elder B. J. Moore. He was the son of Jack and Rachel Moore born March 25, 1874 died September 20, 1966. Making his stay on earth 92 years, 5 months and 26 days. He attached himself to the Old Baptist Church about the year of 1898, and felt the call to the ministry about the year of 1901. He was blessed to serve faithfully as a soldier of the cross for 65 years,

Altho his burdens were many, and the cross became heavy at times, yet he was never known to complain or make excuses. Like the brave soldier that he was, he kept pressing onward toward that blissful land of rest. He never departed from the principals of the doctrine believed and practiced by the Old Regular Bapist. He was married to Maggie Wright in 1916, who proceeded him in death. After a few years of loneliness he married Mrs. Emma

Adkins. Brother Moore lost his natural life in the violent flames that destroyed his home, but gained everlasting life in the eternal heavens.

In addition to his children and many relatives, he leaves to mourn his absence a great host of friends. They will miss him no doubt, but the Little Jewel Church where he served as assistant moderator from its establishment until death, will also miss his charming smile, his lovely embraces. and the good and righteous council that he gave. Altho he has left us here on earth, we feel that he is enjoying the tranquilities of heaven's never ending rest.

Written by Elder Roy Akers Sister Dorothy Osborne



MR. & MRS. GEORGE W. TACKETT

It is with much sadness that I by the help of God trusting that He will lead my mind to write an obituary of my Daddy and Mother. Mother, Arminta Jenkins Tackett was born May 31, 1880 in Magoffin County, Kentucky, and departed this life December 16, 1965 making her stay on earth 85 years, 6 months and 16 days. She was the daughter of the late Harvey and Mandy Jenkins. She was married to George Washington Tackett in 1903. Unto this union was born 6 children: four boys and two girls. Harvey Tackett, Scottown, Ohio; Alonzo Tackett, Ashland, Kentucky; Jesse Tackett, Riceville, Kentucky; and Bennie Tackett who preceded them in death at the age of 6 months. Mrs. Luther Trimble, and Mrs. Riley Jackson both of Ashland, Kentucky. Mother leaves one brother, Clinton Jenkins, Columbus, Ohio.

Dad passed away 6 months and seven days after mother died. They lived a good clean, and long Christian life together. Mother joined the Old Baptist Church, May 20, 1900. Daddy joined the same church October, 2, Saturday, 1906. They formerly lived at Riceville, Ky., but moved to Ashland, Ky, in 1955. They loved to go to church and would always get so happy. Thy would shout and praise the name of the Lord. Daddy was born March 12, 1885 and deceased this life June 23, 1966 making his stay on earth 81 years, 3 months, and 11 days. He was the son of the late William and Eliza Tackett. In addition to the children he leaves one sister Mrs. Vinnett Howard, Waverly, Ohio; one half brother, Matt Adams, Salyersville, Ky.; and one half sister, Mrs. Rosie Adams, Ashland, Ky. to mourn his loss. He and mother had 38 grandchildren, 115 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren and a great host of friends. All of us children loved them so much and hated so bad to give them up, but we must be submissive to the will of God in all things. I do believe that they are gone to live with Jesus where no pain nor sorrow ever comes. There are so many, many good things that I could say about Dad and Mother, but time and space will not permit. So I will close by saying may the good Lord bless and save every soul in the land.

Written by a son and a brother in hope Alonzo Tackett



BROTHER ROBERT MOSLEY

It is with much sadness that I will attempt to write an Obituary of a dear loving Brother to wit Robert Mosley, the son of Andrew and Ellen Wicker Mosley. He was born July 22, 1903. Being 63 years, 4 months and 14 days old. He deceased this life November 4, 1966 at 6:25 A.M. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

He was married to Gladys Smith on December 29, 1929, and she still survives to grieve his loss. Also surviving are four daughers; Mrs. Wanda Holbrook, Mrs. Minnie Carty, Mrs. Irene Rowe, and

Miss Carol Mosley, and three sons; Simon Mosley, Hager Mosley, and Jack Mosley. One daughter, Pauline Mosley, proceeded him in death.

Brother Rob joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1963 and was loved by all who knew him, and was a special and beloved member to his brothers and sisters.

He also has a beloved old mother who is now about 101 years old and not permitted to be here because of her health.

I know I am not able to write or say things that would be to good to speak about Brother Rob. But his love and honor that he showed for his brothers and sisters and friends spoke for him. And I believe he has already preached his own funeral in the past. We know his place will be missed in our home church, but Sister Gadys and the children will miss him the most of all. This community will also miss him for his doors were open to all. But the important part, there was a great door opened yonder in heaven where God received his Spirit home to wit the redemption of his body.

The Bible says Blessed are the Dead who die in the Lord hence forth yea sayeth the spirit that they do rest from all their labors, but we believe his works will follow after him.

We believe the life he lived was a light to all who knew him. The path he chose is safe for any to travel in. I want to say to his children: Daddy's counsel has ended but his life will live on and on. I hope you won't forget the wonderful counsel he gave you. If any of you haven't made your peace calling and election sure and die in that state with-

out repenting of your sins, you won't say farewell for a little while, but for ever and ever. Brother Rob is gone from this world never to return. The Bible says the eyes that have seen me will see me no more and the place that knew me will know me no more and forever.

Written by two broken hearted brothers in Jesus Christ.

> Elder Claude Ousley Elder H. N. Vanderpool



LAWRENCE DORTON

My heart is sad as I try to write the obituary of my beloved brother in the flesh and brother in Christ.

Lawrence Dorton was born February 15, 1915 and died August 20, 1966. Making his stay on earth 51 years, 6 months and 5 days. He was the son of Turner and Melissia Dorton both deceased. He was married to Mable McKinney and to this union were born no children. He was taken sick and suffered very much. But by the help of the Great Savior he

bore his sickness so well. He was taken to the hosand had an operation where the doctors found the dreadful disease Cancer. After the operation he about 3 months. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized by Elder Sidney Hudson into the fellowship of the Little Ida Church. He was so sick he had to be carried out into the water in a wheel chair by two of the brethren. He was baptized July 31, 1966 and later got so sick he wanted to go back to the hospital. Lawrence told his brothers and sister-in-law that the Lord let him live for a purpose and I believe with all my heart that the Lord did let him live for the purpose of seeking Him. I want to thank Daisy my sister-in-law for she was so good to him and took care of him during his sickness. He bore his sickness with much patience. He leaves one sister, three brothers and twenty nieces and nephews to mourn his loss. But we feel our loss is Heavens gain. His body is sleeping in the cemetery awaiting that great day when the soul and spirit will unite with it in the grave and be changed to a spiritual body and go on to Heaven to live forevermore where there will be no Cancer or sickness or suffering to affect the body.

I want to thank all the brethren and Sisters and Friends of the Little Ida Church and very special thank you to Brother Sidney Hudson for sharing their kindness and sympathy during such a time of sorrow.

Written by his sister in hope of eternal life.

Elsie Counts

Haysi, Va.



EUGENE CARSON TACKETT

With the help of the Lord, I'll write the obituary of my darling son, Eugene Carson Tacket!.

Eugene Carson Tackett, born December 18, 1927, departed from this life January 31, 1964, at the age of 36 years, 1 month and 13 days. He was born in Pike County, Kentucky, the son of James and Jane Burke Tackett, who are left to mourn his passing. He also leaves one brother, James Clement Tackett, and three sisters, Miss Osalie Tackett, Mrs. Jessie Fields and Mrs. Harrison E. Cronkhite.

Carson served two terms overseas. He went into the Army March 15, 1946 and got out July 22, 1947. The Lord was good to him and brought him back home. Carson worked in a field hospital in Germany as a ward boy in charge of the beds and patients in the ward. He checked patients into the ward and made them comfortable. He assisted doctors in their examinations. He also ran a 16MM movie projector. He was faithful and stood up for his country.

He enlisted in the Air Force February 27, 1951 and served in the Korean War. The Lord was good and He sent him home to me again. And I thank God for it.

As the years went by, he took sick with the dreadful disease, Cancer.

Carson left a wonderful hope when he left this world.

While he was in the Veteran's Hospital, he called me one night and told me that the Lord had saved him from his sins and he was so happy and didn't have any pain.

When people came to see him after he came home, he always told them what the Lord had done for him. He said he would love to live to serve the Lord, if it was His will, but if not, he was ready to go when He called him.

Several days before he died, he lost his voice, but a few hours before the Lord took him, he looked up and smiled and said out so loud, "I see Jesus." I thank God I heard him say that.

People loved and admired him and will miss his friendly smile, but our faith knows we have lost him only for a little while.

In years to come, the memory of him will always be strong with us and the many friends he had.

It is our loss, but Heaven's gain.

I have a hope of seeing him again.

Worded by his Mother. Mrs. Jane Tackett



HAZEL HALE

by Aaron Hale

I am so lonely writing this letter because I miss her so. Yet, I am happy I can say these words about my sweet wife, Hazel.

She was born on November 11, 1909 and deceased this life on February 13, 1967 at the age of 57 years, 3 months and 2 days.

She leaves two daughters, Agnes Preece of West Virginia, Helen Spitzer of Michigan, four grand-children and a husband. One grandchild, Rebecca Diane, was so faithful through Hazel's sickness and I beg all Brothers and Sisters to remember Rebecca in their prayers.

My Wife, Hazel, joined the Old Regular Baptists in 1936. She was baptized by Jonah Bevins and Shadie Pauley of the Sardis Association.

In 1944 she moved to Michigan and knowing of no church here went to the Primitive Baptist, but she soon found that this was not her home. She Mahigan, with a clean record for years to come. She was baptized by Baxter Osborne and Dewey

She believed in Regular Baptist doctrine. As cried in pain. God helped her. She smiled in pain she was humble and patient that His will be done. She was loved by everyone who knew her; whole hope was in Christ.

She said many times the Lord blessed us again with Brethren to preach His Gospel, like, Frank Hopkins Haze Maynard, Jonas Bevins, Willis Blackburn Hi Maynard, Baxter Osborne, Sidney Hudson, Roy Akers, Walter Mullins and many, many more.

I believe with all my heart we will shake her hand again in that sweet land. My eyes are filled with tears as I write this letter. Dear God help me, was her last word and Dear God, help me, is my prayer.

My buddy, I called her, you're not forgotten nor will you ever be. As long as life and memory last I will remember you, day and night, more and more as time goes by.

There will never be anyone who could take your place; your loving smile your gentle face.

This was written by her husband, Aaron, and her granddaughter, Rebecca Diane, who called her "Gee." Dear Gee, we will meet you in Heaven.

Diane and PawPaw

Sister Hazel's memorial will be preached at the Little Ida Church on the First Saturday and Sunday in July, 1968. All preaching brethren are invited.



JUDY COBURN

With a sad and aching heart, I will try to write the obituary of sister Judy Coburn. She was born May 9, 1915, died March 8, 1967, making her stay on earth 51 years and 10 months. She was the daughter of Lee and Adaline Ritchie. Early in life she met and married Ray Coburn, they had one child, it died at birth. About 26 years ago sister Judy professed a hope in Christ and joined the New Bethlehem church of Old Regular Baptist and stayed there until February 19, 1962 when she came by letter to The Little Family Church. Sister Judy was a strong believer in the Old Regular Baptist, she believed in good order and a clean church. To know sister Judy was to love her. I never heard her say a hard word about any one. I have seen her go to church when it didn't look like she could stand on her feet, when

was sick about 2 or 3 years ago, she told the writer and Brother Watts she had prayed to see I she had left any thing undone, but God showed ber there was nothing in her way, she said she wanted me and Brother Melvin to preach her fumeral. Oh how my heart aches. She is the first member The Little Family Church has lost by death. She will be greatly missed by The Little Family Church, also the House of Prayer and Bethel Churches. She loved good meeting, I feel she just fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. I have a hope in my heart I will meet her again in that City where no sickness ever comes, Brother Ray, may God bless wou. I know your life will be lonely, but as David of old said about his baby, by the grace of God you can meet her again. I could write more and half wouldn't be told about this kind and humble sister and the life she lived. May God Bless all her brothers and sisters, her old dad and mother. She leaves to mourn her loss a broken hearted husband, daddy and mother, two brothers and four sisters and the church she loved so well and a host of friends and neighbors. But we feel our loss is Heaven's gain, her seat is vacant in the church, a voice we loved is still, a place is vacant in her home that never can be filled.

Written by a broken hearted Brother in the Lord, Elder Roy Caudill



ANDY JOHNSON JR.

By request of the family I will try and write an obituary of P.F.C. Andy Johnson Jr. Hoping to be guided by God's holy spirit to give a brief but true story of Andy's life. To most of the family and friends he was known as "Nick." He was the son of Henry D. and Kanas Johnson. Being the youngest of 11 children and the first to break the family circle. Nick was born into this life, May 17, 1943 lived and loved his family especially his Mom and Dad until he lost his life serving his country as a valliant soldier on August the 8th, 1966 in Vietnam, making his stay on earth 23 years, 2 months and 22 days. At an early age on December 24, 1960, he entered the U. S. Army and served his first term in Germany. I remember on leave to Detroit to visit his brothers and sisters also his father and mother knowing that he had only one month to spend with them, he always found time to come out to the house of the Lord. He must have had a tender heart, for once he

ame to the Little Ida Church and as he and his mother walked down the ile, Nisck's desire was made known to his Mom and the Lord, when he attered to his mother and softly whispered; "Someday I hope to walk down this isle with you and Dad."

We know the Lord is a heart searcher and a right tyer and will have mercy on a humble beart and a contrite spirit. Nick went to Vietnam December 14, 1965 and served there until his death. He leaves to mourn his loss, a father and mother and 10 brothers and sisters to wit: Francis Johnson, Anon, Ohio, Mrs. Joseph Fradle, Mt. Clemons., Mich., Mrs. Lois Trembley, Mt. Clemons, Mich., Mrs. George Tsolis, Warren, Mich., Vivian Johnson, Southgate, Mich., Mrs. Russ Holcomb, Parmor, Ohio, Bill Johnson, Vista, Calif., Mrs. John Engal, North Ridgeville, Ohio., John Paul Johnson, Mt. Clemons Mich., Gus William Johnson, Vietnam, and a host of friends and loved ones.

I am sure that all the family will miss him, for it seemed that he was the flower in the midst of the Johnson garden, but we feel that this flower will bud and bloom again in the sunny courts of Heaven. He left in the memories of his loved ones the assurance that he would come home from Vietnam, but since he didn't make it back to this natural home, we hope that God gave him grace to speak of that home that is not made with natural hands. Surely he was blessed one night to write a letter to Elvie and me, saying that all his sins had come before him. The question in my mind is why was all his sins gathered

together into one place. Was there not a cause? Do you think that the good Lord would scatter them out again? So to all of his family, I pray God that all of you that is still in sin to remember your latter end, and have all your sins gathered together in one place so that they can easily be taken away by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and Amen.

Written by the family and a cousin Elder Homer Elliott



MATILDA BARTLEY TACKETT

By request of the family I will try to write a obituary of Sister Matilda Tackett. She was born September 7, 1907. Departed this life May 31, 1967, at the age of 59 years, 8 months and 24 days.

She was born in Pike County, Kentucky, the daughter of the late William and Ruth Newsome Bartley and spent most of her life in this vicinity.

She was the stepdaughter of Becky Newsome Bartley. In her early life she was married to Hart Bartley who proceeded her in death and to this union was born six childrn, two proceeded her in Seath. Edith and Gromer. She leaves four children to mourn her loss. Elsie Hess, West Virginia, Arnold Bartley, West Virginia, Pamerine and Sam Bartley of Columbus, Ohio.

She later married Aruba Tackett on June 16, 1948. She leaves four step-children to mourn her loss, Norris Tackett, Emajane Newsome, Billie Joe Tackett and Sullie Swan all of Detroit, Michigan. She also leaves two brothers W. E. and Levi Bartley, one sister, Mrs. Victoria Akers, two half-brothers, Amos and Cecil Bartley, Two half-sisters, Mrs. Bertha Tackett and Mrs. Oma Tackett, 18 grand-children and one great- grandchild.

Sister Tackett gave her hand to become a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ on May 13, 1967, and was received and baptized on May 28, 1967, by Elder Hiram Adkins and Elder Offic Bartley.

I would like to say to Aruba and all the children and grandchildren and all the friends of Sister Tackett's, her life proves just what she wanted to do and that was go to Heaven when this life was over and I feel and believe with all my heart that she is resting from her labor. And in the Ressurection morning both soul and body will unite and be with the Lord forever. So if you want to see Mother again Jesus has made the way passable he says look unto me all ye ends of the earth and be ye saved. So farewell for now. I hope to see you all around the throne of God in the morning.

Written by a brother in hope Elder Hiram Adkins



FLOSSIE HICKS

With a sad heart I will try to write an obituary of my mother and sister in Hope.

Flossie Hicks was born January 1, 1912 to Ballard and Ora Hicks at Lackey, Ky. She was married to John Wicker March 4, 1926 by an Old Regular Baptist preacher. Unto this union was born seven children. One girl, Ruby Wicker Scheurich and six boys. Leo, Clyde Lowell, Randalph, Robert James, Phillip, and Bobby Glenn. She also mothered one step-daughter, Nellie Wicker Conley. Bobby Glenn the youngest and all the family is still living. Mother was blessed in her prayer to God To see the baby boy grow to manhood and receive an education. Mother joined the Old Regular Baptist Church at Balls Branch Church, Mousie, Ky. approximately 16 years ago. She bore her burdens humbly and lived faithful unto death.

She moved to the state of Indiana in 1955 and brought her letter of dismission and helped to estaba church at Lisbon, Ind. known as the Little Passie Regular Baptist Church, named in honor of her and approved by the Regular Baptist Churches of which she was always well pleased. She was a faithful worker and supported the church while she lived. She made remarks to the brethren and sisters that she felt too little for the church to bear her name.

While on her death bed she explained that she had run a survey of her life many, many times, and could not find any thing that she had left undone that would prevent her from meeting her God in peace. She met the challenge of death bravely, and was ready to go. She called her children and husband to her bed side, shook their hands and bid them farewell, with a charge for them to be good and that she would meet them again. She counciled the children to be good to their father, and to be good to the Little Flossie church. Mother bore her sickness and endured her pain, and never ceased praying for the welfare of the brethren and sisters of the Little Flossie church until death. It gave her much to rejoice about when the brethren and sisters would come to visit her.

May God help the children to never forget the many prayers that mother has prayed in their behalf. Her last remarks was "God you know how faithfully I have served you."

Written by a daughter, and a sister in hope. Love to all.

Mrs. Ruby Wicker Scheurich



KELLY BOLEN

I will try to write an obituary of Kelly Bolen. He was the son of Tivis and Jane Conley Bolen. He was born January 14, 1896 and deceased this life January 18, 1967 making his stay on earth 71 years and four days. He was married to Lizzie Coeburn August 4, 1916 and to this union was born 10 children. He leaves to mourn his loss a faithful wife and 8 boys and 2 girls to wit: Lauda Howard, Jimmy Bolen, Ollie Mae Holbrook, Alger, Ohio, Tivis Bolen Dola, Ohio, Arthur Bolen, Arnald Bolen, and Curtis Bolen all of McGuffey, Ohio. Carnel Bolen and Dingus Bolen of Garrett, Ky., Turner Bolen, Mousie, Ky. Kelly was born at Bolen, Ky. on Rock Fork, He lived there all his life. He raised his family by working on the farm. He also leaves 2 sisters and four brothers. Rosa Bolen Jackson, Ohio, Mauda Conley McGuffey, Ohio, Bee Bolen and Elza Bolen, Garrett, Kv., Kennel Bolen and Lee Bolen, Mousie, Kv. He was a hard working man. Kelly died with that terrible disease known as cancer. He suffered about six months after learning of his afflection. He told

his children not to bring any whiskey around him for he did not want to see it. His sister Rosa ask him how the case was with him, and he told her not to worry about him for he was alright. This was about two weeks before he died. The night before he died he told his wife that if there was any thing in his way it was more than he knew about. So, children of brother Kelly, and to you his brothers and sisters that haven't made peace with God let me beg you to fall out with sin and close in with the offered mercies of God. We only have a short time to live on this earth, and your call may come before tomorrow. Children, do as your mother has done. Daddy has gone not to be back. Be good to mother and heed her advice while she is with you.

Written by sister Liza his wife and Reece Bolen a brother in hope.



CURTIS B. SLONE

By request of his wife, I will try to write an obituary of Curtis B. Slone. He was the son of Silas

and Arazona Slone of Dema, Knott County, Kentucky. Was born December 23, 1929 being almost 37 years old, when the Death Angel came to his home in LaGrange, Ohio July 29, 1966—and taken him away in a few moments of time. Tho, it was in the dark hours of the night, it was an hour of Peaceful rest for him.

Curtis was married to Anna Mae Vincent of Wayland, Kentucky and had one daughter, Brenda Gail, at home. His mother deceased in 1956. He leaves his wife, daughter, his Dad, Step-mother, one sister, Leaha Pridemore, of Shelbyville, Kentucky, one brother Willus Slone of Indiana and many, many friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

He never did join the church but we are made to believe that he was baptized with the fire and Holy Ghost, which is what takes people to Heaven. Many of the Brothers and Sisters of the church have Witness that he is at rest. He told his wife that if anything should happen to him, he was prepared to go. He traveled with Sister Ann to Michigan, Indiana and different places to church. We all miss him in our neighborhood, and at church. But I believe that God had a purpose for him to go, and for the way he was taken. For while there was sorrow, the Power of God was being made manifested before the eyes of his many sinner friends. I hope Brenda

Gail will realize how soon her Daddy was taken, that she will prepare to go to Heaven and to walk along with Mother here in this life. They can all live together when life is over, where there won't be no more heart attacks. All be Joy and Peace Sister Ann, trust in the Lord for he said, "He would never leave us nor forsake us." For sorrow endures for a night but Joy comes in the morning. Bless that morning when all the Blood washed Band will be called home to forever be with the Lord. Then, we will be satisfied. May God Bless all his Friends and loved-ones.

Sister Marjorie Slone

UNION MEETINGS & COMMUNION TIME

APRIL

ANTIOCH — First Saturday and Sunday in April 1968. Elders called: Hiram Adkins, Sid Hudson, Homer Elliott, Baxter Osborne. Mitchall Chaffins, Moderator and Assistant Moderator to attend. Communion time First Sunday in October.

PLEASANT VIEW—First Saturday and Sunday in April 1968. Elders called: Covis Tackett, J. B. Elswick, Bob Hunter, Ivan Amburgey, Taylor Ross and Moderator to attend. Communion time First Sunday in May.

ROSE OF SHARRON — Third Saturday and Sunday in April 1968. Elders called: H. N. Vanderpool, Covis Tackett, Rex Ison, Clark Damron, Ivan Amburgey, and Moderator to attend. Communion time third Sunday in May.

LITTLE JEWEL—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April 1968. Elders called: Paul Adkins, Hershell Huff, Roy Caudill, Ivory Sowards, Jonah Ester Williams, and Coy Combs to attend. Communion time the Fourth Sunday in June.

LITTLE OVAL—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April 1968. Elder called: Melvin Watts, Charles Keesee, Ivan Amburgey, Lloyd Smith, Roy Caudill, Bill Dunbar, and James Tackett to attend. Communion time Fourth Sunday in May.

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MAGGIE'S HOME—First Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Charles Keesee, Roy

Caudill, Bob Hunter, Wilbur Lee Hamilton, and Hiram Adkins to attend. Communion time first Sunday In July.

LITTLE IDA—First Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Eddie Tackett, James Tackett, M. V. Burke, Ermil Ison, Alex Collier, Baxter Osborne, and Roy Caudill to attend. Communion time first Sunday in June.

LITTLE FLOSSIE—First Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Joshua Hicks, Roy Caudill, H. N. Vanderpool, Claude Ousley, Bob Hunter, and Delmar Williams. Communion Time First Sunday in June.

LITTLE ZION—Second Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Covis Tackett, Homer Elliott, Walter Mullins, Virgil Fields, Joe Johnson, Frank Akers, and R. B. Adams to attend. Communion time second Sunday in June.

LITTLE MEMORY—Second Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Ivan Amburgey, Paris Tackett, Charles Keesee, and John Moore to attend. Communion time second Sunday in July.

LITTLE RUTH—Second Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Claude Ousley, Birtchel Mosley, Roy Caudill, Mitchall Chaffins, Moderator and Assistant oMderator to attend. Communion time second Sunday in June.

MT. ARARAT—Third Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Bufore Brock, Hillard Proffitt, Leroy Hall, Cary Lane, Bill Dunbar, and Lloyd Smith to attend. Communion time third Sunday in August. Memorial meeting of Elder R. A. Shaw Sr. the third Sunday in April 1968. (Every one that can should attend this memorial of Elder Shaw. He was a faithful soldier for the cause, your clerk.)

LITTLE EDNA—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Burt Howard, Johnnie Bentley, Clennon Beverly, Anthony Hamilton, Joshua Hicks, and Paris Tackett to attend. Communion time Fourth Sunday in June.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, Covis Tackett, Ross Hopkins, Roy Hudson, Alex Collier. Moderator and Assistant Moderator to attend. Communion time fourth Sunday in June.

MT. OLIVE—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1968. Elders called: Melvin Watts, Bob Hunter, Roy Caudill, Hindricks Hampton, and Joshua Hicks. Communion time fourth Sunday in June.

JUNE

LITTLE MAUDIE—First Saturday and Sunday in June 1968. Elders called: Roy Caudill, Bob Hunter, Mitchall Chaffins, J. B. Elswick, Delmar Williams, W. P. Dear, Moderator and Assistant Moderator to attend. Communion time first Sunday in July.

LITTLE POLLY—Second Saturday and Sunday in June 1968. Elders called: Claude Ousley, H. N. Vanderpool, Anthony Hamilton, Bob Hunter, and Sidney Hudson to attend. Community time second Sunday in June.

LITTLE PILGRAMS HOME—Second Saturday and Sunday in June 1968. Elders called: H. N. Vanderpool, J. B. Elswick, Clark Damron, Roy B. Akers, Buford Brock, Mitchall Chaffins, Wilburn Lee Hamilton. Alex Collier, Moderator to attend. Communion time second Sunday in July.

LITTLE REBECCA—Third Saturday and Suntay in June 1968. Elders called: Mitchall Chaffins, Joshua Hicks, Hiram Adkins, Roy B. Akers, and J. B. Elswick to attend. Communion time third Sunday in July.

JULY

LITTLE FLOCK—Third Saturday and Sunday in July 1968. Elders called: J. B. Elswick. Wilbur Lee Hamilton, Roy Caudill, Virgil Fields, Hiram Adkins, and Delmar Williams to attend. Communion time third Sunday in August.

LITTLE ANGEL—Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July 1968. Elders called: Mitchall Chaffins, Sollie Kiser, Alvin Brown, Paul Adkins, Milford Adams, and Melvin Watts to attend. Communion time fourth Sunday in August.



MEMORIAL MEETING

A memorial meeting will be conducted at the Little Edna Church on the Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July 1968 in memory of Sister Quillie Blackburn, and on the same date in July hereafter. Elders called: Ivan Amburgey, Chuck Keesee, Homer Elliott, Covis Tackett, Alex Collier, Johnnie Bentley, and Drew Parker.

CHURCH ADDRESSES

LITTLE REBECCA Plymouth, Ohio
LITTLE JEWEL 209 Wheatley Rd., Ashland Ky
MAGGIE'S HOME McArthur, Ohio
LITTLE RUTH R.R. 3, Marengo, Ohio
LITTLE POLLY Rt. No. 1. Marshell, Mich.
LITTLE MAUDIE McGuffy, Ohio
LITTLE FLOCK Rt. No. 1, Ray, Ohio
LITTLE MEMORY Sunman, Ind.
LITTLE EDNA Lorain, Ohio

LITTLE IDA 4060 Drennan St., Ecorse, Mich.
LITTLE FLOSSIE Lisbon, Ind.
LITTLE ZION 63181 Romeo Plank Rd. Romeo, Mich.
LITTLE PILGRAMS HOME Hwy. 224, Ruggles. O.
MT. OLIVE Rt. No. 1, Stockbridge, Mich.
LITTLE OVAL 5646 E. Wash. St. Indianapolis, Ind.
MT. ARARAT Galax, Virginia
PLEASANT VIEW Medina, Ohio
LITTLE FAMILY Jacksonsburg, Ohio
LITTLE ANGEL 5280 Taylor Rd., Gahanna, Ohio
ANTIOCH 1017 Barracks Rd., Louisville, Ky.
ROSE OF SHARON
3744 Carlton-Rockwood Rd., Monroe, Mich.
LILLY OF THE VALLEY Geneva, Ohio

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Little Rebecca — Bill Collins, Rt. No. 1, Plymouth, Ohio

Little Jewel — Alonzo Tackett, 160 McNight St. Ashland, Ky.

Maggie's Home — John Mullins, Rt. No. 1, Box 159 Hamden, Ohio

Little Ruth — Maynard Raliff, Box No. 14, Fulton, Ohio

Little Polly — James Barley, 127 Willow St., Springport, Mich.

Little Maudie — Estill Thornsberry, 501 S. Main St., St. Marys, Ohio

Little Flock — McKinley Rowe, East River Rd. Sheffield Village, Ohio

Little Memory - Bill Ison, Rt. No. 2. Harrison, Ohio

- Little Edna Sherman Wright, 2061 McKinley St., Elyria, Ohio
- Little Ida Arvid Blevins 4639 Sixth St., Ecorse, Mich.
- Little Flossie Carlie Tuttle, Rt. No. 1, Wawaka, Indiana
- Little Zion Otto L. Newsome, 7411 25 Mile Rd., Washington, Mich.
- Little Pilgrams Home Frank Harvey, Box 181, Greensprings, Ohio
- Mt. Olive Hillard Castle, Rt .No. 1, Stockbridge, Mich.
- Litle Oval Buford Brock, Rt. No. 3, Box 14, Danville, Indiana
- Mt. Ararat D. D. Lowe, Rt. No. 2, Box 359, Galax, Virginia
- Pleasant View Charles D. Craft, 3247 Seymour Ave., Cleveland, Ohio
- Little Family Colman Fields, 5182 Manchester Rd., Franklin Ohio
- Little Angel Forest Osborne, 3425 Kitzmiller Rd., New Albany, Ohio
- Antioch Hillard Newsome, 3520 Fincastle Rd. Louisville, Ky. 40213
- Rose of Sharon Johnie Bentley, 3218 22nd St., Wyandotte, Mich.
- Lillie of the Valley Arthur R. Tackett, 1544 8th St., Wyandotte. Mich.

DELEGATES TO THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION — 1967

- Little Rebecca Claude Ousley, Delmar Williams, Buddy Wayne Carty
- Little Jewel Harold Varney, Carlos Little, Alonzo Tackett
- Maggie's Home Paris Tackett, Joshua Hicks, John Mullins
- Little Ruth W. P. Deal, Farrell Ratliff, Maynard Ratliff
- Little Polly James Barley, Virgil Fields, Elisha Patton
- Little Maudie Estill Thornsberry, Herbert Robinson, Raleigh Ousley
- Little Flock Anthony Hamilton, Roy Hamilton, George Hamilton
- Little Memory Hershell Sturgill, Van B. Hall, Lawrence Day
- Little Edna Bill Hamilton, Wilburn Lee Hamilton, Woodroe Thacker
- Little Ida Ralph Caudill, Roman Mullins, James Dotson
- Little Flossie, Carlie Tuttle, James Bartley, Birtchel Mosley Jr.
- Little Zion Ermin Smiley, Clarence Owens, Archer Akers
- Little Pilgrams Home Bob Hunter, Albert Hamilon, Robert Wallen
- Mt. Olive Elmer Adams, Oscar Holcomb, Clark Damron
- Little Oval Buford Brock, Hillard Proffit, Harlan McIntosh

- Mt. Ararat R. A. Shaw Jr., D. D. Lowe, Bert Edwards
- Pleasant View Alex Collier, Bobby Looney. Charles D. Craft
- Little Family Roy Caudill, Hendricks Hampton, Jerome Watts Jr.
- Little Angel Ballard Brown, Offie Bartley, Forest Osborne
- Antioch Paul Adkins, Virgil Caudill, Hillard Newsome
- Rose of Sharon R. B. Adams, Homer Elliott, Bobby James Coleman
- Lilly of the Valley Walter Mullins, Jackson Holbrook, Arthur Tackett

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

- Elder H. N. Vanderpool, 533 W. Broadway, Plymouth, Ohio
- Elder Delmar Williams, 255 S. Williams St. Newark, Ohio
- Elder Savel Combs, R.F.D. No. 3, Shelby, Ohio
- Elder Clennon Beverly, 55 Plymouth St., Plymouth, Ohio
- Elder Claude Ousley, 79 Cary Lane, Newark, Ohio
- Elder Baxter Osborne, Rt, No. 1, 464, Ashland, Kentucky
- Elder Steve Osborne, Rt. No. 1, Box 430, Portsmouth, Ohio
- Elder Paris Tackett, Rt. No. 1, Beaver Ohio Elder Archie Burton, Rt. No. 2, Wellston, Ohio

- Elder Joshua Hicks, Rt. No. 6, 8722 Royalton Rd., Lancaster, Ohio
- Elder Maynard Ratliff, Box 14, Fulton, Ohio
- Elder W. P. Deal, 1833 W. Foster Ave., Chicago III.
- Elder James M. Chapman, 419 3rd Ave.. Columbus, Ohio
- Elder Oscar Holcomb, 42 E. Charlotte St., Ecorse, Mich.
- Elder Virgil Fields, 6772 Janet St., Taylor, Mich.
- Elder Buford Brock, R. R. No. 3, Box 14, Danville, Ind.
- Elder Harlen McIntosh, 4 Dale St., Lattie, Ohio
- Elder Hillard Profitt, 1206 Sharon Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.
- Elder Alex Collier, 11416 Thrush Ave.. Cleveland, Ohio
- Elder Charles Keesee, 515 East Broad St., Elyria, Ohio
- Elder Walter Parker, 920 Robert St., Sheffield Lake, Ohio
- Elder Wesley Caudill, Letcher, Ky.
- Elder Roy Caudill, Rt. No. 1, 6510 Weidner Rd., Franklin, Ohio
- Elder Hiram Adkins, 400 Ural Ave., Columbus, Ohio
- Elder Offie Barley, 2213 Century Dr., Columbus, Ohio
- Elder Forest Osborne, 3425 Kitzmiller Rd., New Albany, Ohio
- Elder Roy B. Akers, 819 Pope Lick Rd., Middletown, Ky.
- Elder Paul Adkins, 3737 Marvin Ave., Louisville, Ky.

Elder Glenn Adkins, 3909 Lee's Lane, Louisville, Ky.

Elder R. B. Adams, 21770 Gudith Rd., Trenton, Mich.

Elder Ray Hamilton, 18610 Toledo Rd., Wyandotte, Mich.

Elder Okie Kent, 8240 Mortonview St., Taylor, Mich.
Elder Johnie Bentley, 3218 22nd St., Wyandotte,
Mich.

Elder Walter Mullins, 13528 Fordline St., Southgate, Mich.

Elder Ivan Amburgey 2197 West 103rd St., Cleveland, Ohio

Elder Howard Story, 350 Cleveland S., Trenton, Mich.

Elder Anthony Hamilton, Rt. No. 2, Vinton, Ohio

Elder Roy Hamilton, R.F.D. No. 2, Wellston, Ohio

Elder George Hamilton, 242 East 13th Ave., Columbus, Ohio

Elder Hershel Sturgill, R.R. No. 1, Sunman, Ind.

Elder Laurence Day, R.R. No. 1, Okeana, Ohio

Elder Howard Collins, R.R. No 3, Osgood, Ind.

Elder Wilburn Lee Hamilton, 2048 Garfield St., Elyira, Ohio

Elder James B. Rowe, 2119 Grant St., Elyria, Ohio

Elder Sidney Hudson, 1306 Marion St., Lincoln Park, Mich.

Elder James Whitaker 28665 O'Henry Court, Inkster, Mich. Elder H. B. Ray, 300 Grand Blvd., Detroit, Mich.

Elder Marion Hall, Box 416 Main St., Pikeville, Ky.

Elder Covi Tasckett, 4309 11th St., Ecorse, Mich.

Elder Homer Elliott, 4420 Detroit St., Dearborn, Mich.

Elder Loyd Smith, 3023 Bailey St. Lincoln Park, Mich.

Elder Birtus Dunbar, 23714 Arsenal, Flat Rock, Mich.

Elder Virgil Wicker, R.R. No 1, Wawaka, Ind.

Elder Birtchel Mosley Jr., 413 W. Rush St., Kendallville, Ind.

Elder Roy Hudson, 7507 25 Mile Rd., Washington, Mich.

Elder Glenn Maddox, 21515 Panama St., Warren, Mich.

Elder Bob Hunter, R.R. No. 1, New London, Ohio

Elder Ray Hoover, 150 Railroad St., Lagrange, Ohio

Elder Wrile Tuttle, Rt. No. 2, Willard, Ohio

Elder Marion Sword, 3018 Barbon St., Cleveland, Ohio

Elder Frank Harvey, Rt. No. 1, Box 181, Greensprings, Ohio

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Recom'dation	Restored	Dismis'd by Let.		Deceased	Total Mem'ship	Meeting Time	Money Cont'btd.
Little Rebecca	6	2	0	þ	1	1	1	92		\$ 50.00
Little Jewel	- 5	0	0	6	0	0	1	54	4	50.00
Maggie's Home	1	0	0	D	0	0	0	46	1	25.00
Little Ruth	- 0	2	0	0	0	0	0	15	1	25.00
Little Polly	0	0	0	D	0	2	0	11	2	15.00
Little Maudie	0	3	0	0	2		1	22	1	25.00
Little Flock	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	24	3	25.00
Little Memory	2	1	0	D	2 2 1	0	0	34	2	50.00
Little Edna	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	35	4	30.00
Little Ida Little Flossie	11	3	0	0	7	9	2	172	1	50.00
Little Flossie	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	12	1	30.00
Little Zion	4	4	0	0	4	0	0	21	2	25.00
Little Pilgrims Home	4	I	0	0	1	1	0	33	2	35.00
Mt. Olivet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	4	15.00
Little Oval	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	4	20.00
Mt. Ararat	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	20	3	25.00
Pleasant View	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	11	1	35.00
Little Family	6	2	0	0	3	1	1	34	2	25.00
Little Angel	10	2	0	0	3	2	1	35	4	40.00
Antioch	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	20	1	50.00
Rose of Sharon	1	6	0	0	2	2	0	24	3	20.00
Lilly of the Valley	2	10	0	0	1	0	0	23	4	25.00
Church contributions										\$690.00
Rec'd for pictures										70.00
Total money rec'd										\$760.00
Grand Total	61	43	3	1	33	26	11	748		\$760.00 \$760.00

To the messengers of our Sister Associations who desire to attend the Northern New Salem Association in 1968.

By way of Portsmouth, Ohio, Hwy. 23 Columbus, Ohio. Pickup Hwy 270 to I-71, thense to 5th Ave. exit, to Hamilton Road, turn left one-half mile to Taylor Rd, turn right one block to church.

Let us never depart from what sayeth the word of God.

- (1) Let younger brethren always be reminded that they are to be courteous, and to treat elder brethren as fathers.
- (2) All churches and moderators should bear in mind that when a church is newly organized and has elected its officers, they become an independent working body.
- (3) Be ye also reminded that all preaching brethren should be courteous and kind one to another, and to never, no never, be guilty of telling visiting brethren that you don't need their help. It's an open violation against you to do so.
- (4) Let all our churches be reminded that they are not to lord anything over a sister church in regards to the way they take communion. If you do not feel right in taking the communion the way sister churches practice it, please excuse yourself quietly, and don't talk, or make remarks as to their failures, or the way they have been taught. Remember, it is still Gods house and you may be held responsible to God for the remarks that you make concerning them or about them.

Dear brethren, if you meet with brethren who handle loose talk, or tell tales on other brethren, don't join in with them, lest you become as guilty as they. But rather shame them, and kindly ask them not to talk and make remarks about the imperfections of their brethren. If a brother has aught against another let him do as the bible says: "Go to them, and them alone." If you regard my advice as unselfish, and coming from the heart, you will obey it. I feel that if you will practice these simple rules it will help to bring about a great and unbounding peace to our association.

Humbly, your unworthy moderator-