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 brethern as fathers.

Russel Wilkury Berlin Stevens

(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 God's house and you may be held responsible to God for the remarks that you make concerning them or about them.

Dear bethren, 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-

## MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION



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CHURCHES	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Recommendation	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Contributions	
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Little Flossie	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	25	1	125	00
Little Zion	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	49	2	75	00
Little Pilgrims Home	4	1	0	0	0	3	0	32	2	75	00
Mt. Olivet	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	12	4	50	00
Pleasant View	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	64	1	100	00
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## PROCEEDINGS

OF THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION OF OLD REGULAR BAPTIST THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST AUGUST 5,6,7, 1977

#### FRIDAY SESSION

As the hour approached for singing to begin, the beloved brethren and sisters of the Northern New Salem Association and our sister associations began to sing the glorious songs of Zion, in praise and thanks to the King of Kings, thanking him for keeping us and bringing us together again for another year. Elder Melvin Watts approached the stand in a humble spirit. After short remarks, he was blessed to lead in prayer, that made all say "Thank you God, we meet again to give you glory and honour, for your goodness."

Elder Squire Hamilton entered the stand to deliver the introductory sermon. Being blessed by God's divine spirit, he was blessed to preach how Moses led the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt. Brother Hamilton begged the Brothers and Sisters to love one another, to let our light shine. He was blessed to give good advice and counsel, begging the brethren to work in love and to do the best we could while we were assembled.

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After a brief intermission, our beloved moderator invited the delegates to assemble themselves at the meeting house where the business of the association was to be conducted.

The delegates thus assembled, Elder Anthony Hamilton was called on to make remarks. Brother Hamilton was blessed to preach on love, hope and the power of God to the saving and keeping of the souls of men and women. Prayer by same.

After brief remarks from our beloved moderator, the Association proceeded to do business as follows:

1. The moderator called for the letters from the Churches that compose the Northern New Salem Association to be handed in to the Assistant clerk. On motion and second the letter from Little Angel Church was read by the Assistant clerk, and found in order. By the same motion all the letters were received and the delegates seated. All queries and requests were referred to the committee on arrangements.

2. The Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist faith organized by electing the following officers to serve for the next 12 months:

Elder Baxter Osbourne, Moderator

Elder Roy Caudill, Assistant Moderator

Elder Roy B. Akers, Clerk

Elder Hillard Newsome, Assistant Clerk

3. On motion and second the moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments.

Brother C. W. Turner was appointed to assist the assistant clerk of the

#### CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brethren of the Northern New Salem Association, as it was agreed upon by a move and second at our last session that I should write a circular letter for your inspection at this session of our association. It is with a feeling of weakness and much prayer and love, that I make this effort to comply with your request.

After many restless nights and study, I feel it is therefore of vital importance that I be guided by the spirit of the ALL MIGHTY GOD in writing this letter.

I wish to write on the following subject: WALK AS CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT, PSALMS 56-13. For thou hath delivered my soul from death; wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before GOD in the light of the living. 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 doeth he meditate day and night. Esaih sayeth; Come ye and let us go up to the mountains of the LORD and HE will teach us of his paths. Again he sayeth, this is the way, walk ye in it, and I hear him saying also, the redeemed shall walk there. The profit Jeremiah say; stand ye in the way and see and ask for the old path, where is the good way and walk therein and ye shall find rest for your soul. But they said we will not walk therein. How can two walk together except they be agreed? A house divided against itself will not stand. So we must agree that the EMBLEM of our state is united we stand, divided we fall.

So my dear Brethren, it is of most importance in these perilous times that the children of the most high GOD stand together, walk together, and dwell together. But let us be like the old shunanmite woman when she stood before ELISHA, and she answered him; I dwell among my own people. We should always be like one, marching upward and not downward. Woe unto them that walk to go down into EGYPT and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin. ISAIH'3-16. Moreover the LORD sayeth; because the daughters of Zion are haughty and walk with stretched forth necks and wanting eyes, walking and mincing as they go and making a tinkling with their feet, V-17. And the LORD says; he will smite with a scab, the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and take away their bravery of their tinkling ornaments and instead of a sweet smell there shall be stink and instead of a well set hair, baldness and burning instead of beauty.

We read that where the LORD spoke to MOSES, saying speak unto the children of ISRAEL and say unto them; I am the LORD your GOD, after the doings of the land of CANAN, where I bring you, shall ye not do, neither shall ye walk in the ordinances, but ye shall keep mine ordinances to walk therein; I am the LORD your GOD.

Dear brethren, I believe that the customs of the people are vain. Too many are saying it is the customs, others are doing it, so will I.

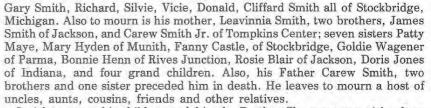
The LORD also spoke saying therefore shall ye keep mine ordinances, that ye commit not anyone of these abominable customs which were committed before you and that ye defile not yourselves therein, and I will walk among you and be your GOD and ye shall be my people.

Now then, beloved brethren note; THESSALONIANS CHAPTER 4 - 1. Furthermore, we beseech you brethren, and exort you by the LORD JESUS.

#### CLEARENCE SMITH

It is with much sadness I will try by the help of the Lord to write an obituary of a dear cousin and brother. Clearance Smith was the son of Carew Smith and Leavinnia Wallen Smith. Born August 11, 1925, he deceased this life April 24, 1977 making his stay on earth 51 years, 8 months, and 13 days.

Brother Clearence was married to Mary Ann Castle Feb. 17, 1947. To this union was born 11 children. One preceded him in death, leaving to mourn besides his wife, Mary Ann, ten children: Mr. and Mrs. George P. Smith, Chelsea, Michigan; Eleanor Marie Shepherd of Kentucky; Mr. and Mrs. Hillard R. Smith; Clearance K. Smith, Mr. and Mrs.



I wish to say to his children and friends, Brother Clearence was sick a long time but a poor and afflicted people will leave with you and they shall trust in the Lord.

Brother Clearence was a member of Old Regular Baptist Church for some time at The Little Polly Church. There is much good that could be said about Brother Clearence but the life he lived spoke loud and clear.

Children, look for and see the light dad left in his home, for he is gone to a better home. Be obedient to the teachings of God. Come on over home to meet him.

His memorial will be preached at the Little Polly Church the second Saturday in August with all deceased members.

Written by a Brother in hope, Elder Robert Wallen peace. Judging from the life he lived before his family, his neighbors, or any one that knew him. We feel that he is at rest, awaiting that glorious ressurrection morning. He was such a good, kind hearted man and always made everyone feel welcome when they visited his home. The children have lost a good father, I have lost a good husband, the neighbors a good citizen in the community and the church a good member. In our hearts no one can ever take his place. He was a very highly respected citizen in the community where he lived.

Bill worked very hard during his life time raising his family. He spent 5 years in the U.S. Army, many years in the cold mines, 13 years at Austin Powder plant at McArthur, Ohio, retiring in 1966. He was in bad health at this time and the remainder of his life. At the time of his death he had developed hardening of the arteries and had a lot of strokes.

In closing words we will say he is badly missed by all members of his family and we hope and feel that his soul is resting where pain will be no more. May God's love and peace rest on you, Bill.

> Written by a very lonely wife and daughter in-law, Mrs. Darsie Owsley

#### HENRY ETTA HARVEY LEEDY

I will try by the help of the Lord and by the help of the family to write an obituary of sister Henry Etta Harvey Leedy, daughter of Bud and Alice Harvey.

She was born Oct. 18, 1894 died April 8, 1977 making her stay on earth 83 years and 5 months. She was married Sept. 13, 1912 to Willie Leedy who preceded her in death July 8, 1967. To this union was born seven children, four boys and three girls. Four preceded her in death were: Orville, Martha, Thomas, and Tolua. Those left to mourn: Mary A. Collins, of New London, Ohio; Fanny Mae Loue of Lorain Ohio and Arnold Leedy of Fitchville Ohio; also, 21 grand children and 37 great-grandchildren.



Although we mourn her loss, we believe sister Etta is at peace with the angels for she gave a reason of hope in Christ in 1934 and live a faithful life until sickness brought her down.

She is sadly missed by all who knew her. She looked forward to church at Ruggles. She said "it is my home church." Her memorial will be preached at Ruggles with the memorial of Ruggles deceased members. This will be the second weekend in August. All Regular Baptist ministers are invited.

Written by a brother in hope.

Elder Robert Wallen

that as you have received of us how you are to walk and to please GOD. So, ye would abound more and more and wherein ye have already attained. Let us walk by the same thing and mark them which walk, so as ye have walked for us as an example. For many walk as I have told you often and even tell you, weeping that they are the enemies of the cross of CHRIST, whose end is destruction, whose GOD is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.

Again we find him saying, this I say therefore, and testify in the LORD, that ye henceforth, walk not as other gentiles walk, in the vanity of their minds, having their understanding, darkened, being alienated from the life of GOD, through the ignorance, that is in them. Because of the blindness in their hearts, who being past feeling, having given themselves over, unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanliness, with greediness, but ye have not so learned CHRIST. If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in JESUS, that ye put off concerning the former conversation. The old man which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be removed in the spirit of your mind and that ye put on the new man, which after God, is created in rightiousness and true holiness.

Brethren, if we claim to be the children of GOD, and walk as the world walks, and act like the world, how can we then say unto the world; Look on me and watch me and as you see me do, so do you.

JESUS says, I have chosen you out of the world, and therefore you are no more of the world, therefore the world will hate you, that it hated me, before it hated you.

Again we are told if any man loved the world, the love of the father is not in him. For all that is the world is the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eye and the pride of life is not of the father, but of the world.

Brethren, we are commanded to lift up a standard to the people for the world to pattern after us, instead of us patterning after the world. The APOSTLE JOHN: that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that you may have fellowship with us and truly our fellowship is with the FATHER and with his SON, JESUS CHRIST. This is the message which we have heard of him and declare we unto you that GOD is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him and walk in darkness, we lie and we do not tell the truth, but if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of JESUS CHRIST his SON cleaneth us from all sins.JESUS SAYS, I am the light of the world, he that followeth me should not walk in darkness. PAUL says, be ye therefore followers of GOD, as dear children and walk in love even as CHRIST has loved us and gave himself for us an offering to GOD for a sweet smelling SAVIOR.

ROMANS:8-1

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in CHRIST JESUS who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit for the law of the spirit of life in CHRIST JESUS, hath made me free from the law off sin of death.

So dear Brethren, our lives which we are living in this present world is a witness to us and all of those we come in contact with, as to which MASTER we are serving the world is watching us, no man can serve two MASTERS. No man can be a partaker of the LORD'S table and the table of the devils. There are only two roads; one is straight and narrow and the other is crooked and broad and there is no way to unite the two ways together. The thing for the sinner or the one who is trying to climb up some other way to stop and quit traveling that broad road and then forsake your evil ways and ask GOD to forgive you and believe on him with all their heart, soul, and mind, he will save you with an everlasting salvation, and then he will walk with you and also talk with you, "saying this is the way of the LORD - walk ye in it."

PAUL the APOSTLE charged TIMOTHY (CHAPTER 5 - VERSE 21) I charge thee before GOD and the LORD JESUS CHRIST and the elect ANGELS that thou observe these things without preferring one before another doing nothing by partialities hands suddenly on no man, neither be pretaker of other man's sins. Keep thy-self pure. Now dear brethren, I am afraid there is too much partiality dwelling among us. We know according to the BIBLE, if we make a difference between our brethren and also our sisters or in the way their beautiful clothes may appear, also just love them that love you, do not sinners the same, to GOD this is sin, and we know that we are not walking as CHILDREN of the light. PAUL says that if you have bitter enveying and strife in your heart, glory not and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceful, gently, and easy to be intreated full of mercy and good fruits without partiality and without hypocrisy. So Brethren if we just shake hands with some and embrace some in our arms and some little humble child of GOD standing off by himself may be feeling to little to be looked upon. He or she in GOD'S eyes is just as important as any other child. Let us remember the publican never as much as raised his eyes toward HEAVEN, but smote up his breast and said LORD have mercy on me a sinner. So Brethren we need not try to testify before man by our actions for GOD knows our hearts.

So Brethren, in my closing remarks, if you feel this letter should be approved and printed in our minutes may GOD help all of us to let our lights shine out before the world that others may see our good works that GOD may glorify in us. So fairwell to all!

Your unworthy brother in Christ Jesus, Elder Claude Ousley

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION WHEN ORGANIZED IN 1958

From a long series of experiences we, the OLD REGUALR 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 to keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

ARTICLE 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.

deprived you of her good counsel, and has stilled forever her voice of compassion and love. Many times you will be tempted to follow in the paths of sin, but remember sin will only lead your precious soul to hell and destruction.

The only way you can ever escape the shame of eternal damnation is through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ who is your only hope of ever being reunited with her, when the morning and evening shall come together, bringing to pass that one eternal day of the Lorsd.

No doubt you have experienced many lonely moments since her departure, and I feel sure that you miss her smiling face and, that you embrace many fond memories of your companionship over the past 51 years together. I am sure you both shared in the uncertainties of life as well as the pleasures of life. But, remember God loved her and has caused a vacancy in the home that can never be filled. But, she left a bright and shining light in the home that will lead you to life and salvation by the way of the cross into a land of an unclouded day.

In closing I pray that God's richest blessings will be yours and the children to enjoy. And may he grant each of you that free salvation by grace to be prepared for the hour of death which cannot be avoided.

With love and compassion to you all, I beg to be remembered as your willing but unworthy servent for Christ my redeemer's sake.

Written by request of the family, I remain your nephew,

Elder Roy B. Akers

#### WILLIAM THOMAS OWSLEY

With much sadness and a broken heart we make an attempt to write an obituary of a dear and precious husband and father, Mr. W. T. Owsley, known as Bill. Bill was the son of Hager and Lucinda Ratliff Owsley. He was born Feb. 14, 1900 in Floyd Co., Ky. Departed this life Jan. 9, 1977. Being 76 years, 10 months and 25 days. He was married to Darsie Ann Owsley, Risner, Ky. Feb. 1926. To this union 4 children were born. Mrs. Orlie Bradley, Berlin Owsley, Lonnie Owsley all of R.t #1, McArthur, Ohio. Myrtle deceased while an infant. He had 11 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren, one deceased. Surviving is one brother, Edward of



North Judson, Ind. Deceased brothers J. L. Owsley, Alvin Owsley, Alanzo Owsley, Jack Owsley and half brother R. L. Shepherd. Deceased sisters Perlina Prater, Alice Poe, and Lizzie Reffitt. Bill and his family moved from Floyd Co. in 1949.

Bill joined the Regular Baptist Church in the year of 1933, at Cold Springs Church, located on Caney Fork of Middle Creek in Floyd Co., Ky. In 1961 he had his membership moved to the Maggie Home Church, Dundas, Ohio. He was a very faithful member and attended church as often as possible. We believe with all our hearts that he has changed a world of trouble for a world of

# Obituaries

#### FANNIE ELIZABETH (MITCHELLE) AKERS

It is with many precious memories that I attempt to comply with the request of a dear uncle and the children to write a brief obituary of a very dear aunt, to wit: Fannie Elizabeth (Mitchell) Akers.

Aunt Fannie was the daughter of Robert Lee and Martha (Akers) Mitchell. She was born April 3, 1906 and departed this life April 28, 1976 making her stay on earth 70 years and 28 days. The subject of this sketch was a direct decendant of two of the pioneering families that helped to settle Floyd County, Ky.

On October 9, 1925 she was united in holy matrimony to Noah Akers. To this union they were

blessed to raise five children, as follows: Noah Akers Jr. Monticello, Ky. Leroy Akers, McDowell, Ky.; Henry C. Akers, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Loretta Hamilton, Kettering, Ohio; and Mrs. Gladys Hamlin, Ft. Wayne, Ind. In addition to the above named children, she leaves a loyal and devoted husband, 16 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, many relatives and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

The writer spent many nights in her humble home in the past 25 years. I was blessed to partake in her hospitality and share in the delicious food that always graced her table. I am thankful that I had the opportunity to have shared in Godly conversations with her, which gave testimony that she was a woman professing Godliness. Although Aunt Fannie never attached herself to this visible kingdom, I feel sure she had fellowship with Christ Jesus in that heavenly Kingdom, and with the saints of God. She had an unbounding love for the House of Prayer Church, and was a devoted follower and a strong believer in the doctrine as advocated by its leadership.

On the night Following the funeral of one of her brothers, in the early morning, she fell victim to a fatal heart attack. God in his infinite wisdom called for her to leave her earthly labors, and join his everlasting refreshments in that home of the blessed to suffer death no more. The sting of death is only for a moment, and is only a door that opens into a land of celestial beauty, joy and peace forever.

Just a few words of counsel to Uncle Noah, and the children. You have lost a loyal and devoted wife and a compassionate and loving mother who I firmly believe had trusted in the words of truth, the Gospel of her Salvation and believed, and was sealed with the holy spirit of promise. Having this seal, God knows them that are His. And, if you want to see and be with her in glory where I believe she has gone to, you must get yourself ready by being BORN AGAIN by the loving spirit of God while time and opportunity is available. Death has ARTICLE 2. In the Letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by Letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 4. The Association when convened shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

ARTICLE 5. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 6. New Churches may be admitted into this 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.

ARTICLE 7. Every query presented by the Church to the Association, being first debated in their own Churches, shall be taken up by the Association.

ARTICLE 8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except when withdrawn by the one who made it.

ARTICLE 9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association.

ARTICLE 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 to send it by their delegates to the Association; and such sums 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.

ARTICLE 11. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association who shall receive a compensation for his services.

ARTICLE 12. The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with.

ARTICLE 13. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the union, if deemed necessary.

ARTICLE 14. All matters coming 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.

ARTICLE 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 power to withdraw from any Church in the union which violates the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; and 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

ARTICLE 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. Isaiah 45:5, 1st Cor. 8:6, 1st John 5:7.

ARTICLE 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practice. 2nd Peter 1:21, 1st Timothy 3:16, 2nd Timothy 3:16.

ATRICLE 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace. "For by grace are ye saved through Faith." Isa. 42:1, Eph. 2:8, 2nd Timothy 2:9, 1st Peter 1:23.

ARTICLE 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 redemption. Gen. 2:7, Romans 5:12.

ARTICLE 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance, and believe in the gospel, and regeneration of the soul, 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 7. We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's church on earth, and the mode is, **IMMERSION** 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.

ARTICLE 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Saviour, and that by the use of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine and feet-washing should be kept up until His second coming, by His believers. Luke 22:2-20, John 12:7, 13:7-8, 1st Timothy 5:9-10.

ARTICLE 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and 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 24:26.

ARTICLE 10. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel, except such as are regular baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the gospel, and has come under the hands of a regular chosen presbytery of the church and ordained thereby. Acts, 12:2-3, Romans 1:16, Titus 1:6.

ARTICLE 11. We believe it is the duty of all church members to contribute money 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.

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ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 14. We believe that Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon His shoulders. Isaiah 9:6-7, 22:21-22, Luke 1:33.

ARTICLE 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, or 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

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ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

ARTICLE 2. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk each chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

ARTICLE 3. 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.

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

ARTICLE 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

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

ARTICLE 7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.

ARTICLE 8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.

ARTICLE 9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term or appellation than that of "Brother"

ARTICLE 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 Decorum.

ARTICLE 11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 13. Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the Decorum shall be reproved by the Association as they think proper.

#### UNION MEETINGS AND COMMUNION TIME MINISTERS CALLED FOR THE YEAR 1977 APRIL

HOUSE OF PRAYER — First Saturday and Sunday in April. Baxter Osborne, Clifford Colley, J.C. Tackett, Covis Tackett, Earl Lawson, Woody Pack, Mitchell Chaffins. Communion time — first Sunday in June.

PLEASANT VIEW — First Saturday and Sunday in April. Covis Tackett, Robert Haney, Charlie Johnson, Mitchell Chaffins, Karrell Addington, Woody Pack. Communion time — first Sunday in May.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second Saturday and Sunday in April. Buddy Carty, Hobart Hamilton, Hillard Newsome, Anthony Hamilton, Lee Fields, James Branham, Zee Holbrooks. Communion time — Second Sunday in May.

LITTLE JEWELL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Birthchell Mosley Jr., Alex Collier, Melvin Watts, Wayne Herold, Ivan Amburgey. Communion time — Fourth Sunday in June.

#### MAY

ANTIOCH — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Baxter Osborne, Hiram Adkins, Eddie Tackett, Donald Parker, Russell Hicks. Communion time — First Sunday in October.

LITTLE IDA — First Saturday and Sunday in May. J.C. Tackett, Hursel Hamilton, Karrell Addington, Buddy W. Cardy, Baxter Osborne, Woody Pack, Hursel Huff. Communion time — First Sunday in June.

MAGGIE HOME — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Russell Hicks, Sam Franks, Hiram Adkins, Delbert Sanders, Johnnie Newsome, Bill Collins. Communion time — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE MEMORY — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ivan Amburgey, Stoney Blackburn, Robert Haney, Melvin Watts, and Moderator Communion time — Second Sunday in June.

LITTLE RUTH — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Fon Bowling, Delbert Sanders, Loyd Ray, Bill Dunbar, Russell Hicks. Communion time — Second Sunday in June.

FAMILY OF LOVE - Clifford Bradley, 18003 SH231, Nerada, Ohio 44849
HOUSE OF PRAYER - Wilmer Combs, 4433 Tangent Dr., Kittering, Ohio
45440
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#### DELEGATES TO THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION 1977

LITTLE REBECCA-Newton Vanderpool, Donel Gibson, Bill Collins LITTLE JEWELL-Jess Bryant, Hezekiah Osborn, Euel Ratliff MAGGIE HOME-John Mullins, Ira Kendrick, John B. Hale LITTLE POLLY-Raful Griffith, James Poe, Richard Griffith MT.ZION-Hubert Robiso, Jr., John D. Ousley, W.P. Deel LITTLE FLOCK-Anthony Hamilton, Joshua Hicks, Floyd Newsome LITTLE RUTH-Claude Ousley, Orville Gilleam, Maynard Ratliff LITTLE MEMORY-Bill Ison, Sam Lewis, Lawrence Day LITTLE EDNA-Kirby Perrigan, Tennis Sturgill, Buford Edwards LITTLE IDA-John Adkins, Clyde Blankenship, Jackson Holbrook LITTLE FLOSSIE-Larry Dixon, Carlie Tuttle, Birtchel Mosely, Jr. LITTLE ZION-Ed Smith, Glynn Maddox, Eugene Robinette LITTLE PILGRIM HOME-Alber Hamilton, Robert Wallen, Birbage Howell, Jr.

MT. OLIVET-Kelsey Mullins, Elmer Adams PLEASANT VIEW-Alex Collier, David Slone, Ivan Amburgey LITTLE FAMILY-Coleman Fields, Jerome Watts, Jr., John Turner LITTLE ANGEL-Hiram Adkins, Forest Osborne, Ballard Brown ANTIOCH-C.W. Turner, Paul Adkins, Arthur Amburgey, Buster Thacker ROSE OF SHARON-Ray Hamilton, John Paul Hamilton, Johnnie Bentley LILLY OF THE VALLEY-Chester Newsome, Virgil Combs, Conley Daniels LITTLE CHILDRENS HOME-Birtchell Short, Henry Hobson, Buford Brock MORNING STAR-Gillis Hamilton, Gary Brown, Palmer Roberts LITTLE BETHEL-Frank Harvey, James Branham, Ernie Owens FAMILY OF LOVE-Clifford Bradley, James Gillam, Hardwick Ratliff HOUSE OF PRAYER-Melvin Watts, Pete Hensley, Sollie Miller, Jr. MACEDONIA-Burl Stevens, R.Z. Castle, Rant Baily

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Elder Delmar Williams, Allen, Kentucky	
Elder Claude Ousley, 22 Maple St. Shelby, Ohio 44875	347-1217
Elder Clennan Beverly, 55 Plymouth St., Plymouth, Ohio, 44865	
Elder Amos Williams, 150 Riley St., Newark, Ohio 43055	
Elder Bill Collins, Rt. 1, Brooks Ct., Plymouth, Ohio 44865	387-2301
Elder Farris Tuttle, Rt. 2, Shiloh, Ohio 44865	35-0505

FAMILY OF LOVE	Wyandotte, Ohio
HOUSE OF PRAYER	Dayton, Ohio
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#### CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

LITTLE REBECCA — Bill Collins, Rt. 1, Brook St., Plymouth, Ohio 44865

687-2301

LITTLE JEWELL — Alonzo Tackett, 160 McKnight St., Ashland, Ky. 41101 324-4577

MAGGIE HOME — John Mullins, Rt. 1, Box 190, Hamden, Ohio 45634 . . 596-5319 LITTLE POLLY — Hillard Castle, Rt. 1 Milner Rd., Stockbridge, Mich. 49285 851-8609

MT. ZION — Raleigh Ousley, Rt. 2, Acla, Ohio 45810 .....

LITTLE IDA — Ralph Caudill, 1594 Wilson St., Lincoln Park, Mich., 48146 381-3710

LITTLE FLOSSIE — Carlie Tuttle, RR 3, Kendallville, Ind., 46755.....347-0361 LITTLE ZION — Otto Newsome, 7411 25 Mile Road, Washington, Mich. 48094 781-3292

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452-1197

ROSE OF SHARON — Johnnie Bentley, 3218 22nd St., Wyandotte, Mich. 48192 283-2983

LITTLE ZION — Second Saturday & Sunday in May. Covis Tackett, Ron Scott, Charles Newsome, Frank Newsome, James Tackett, Paul McClannham, Hurshell Huff, David Slone. Communion time — Second Sunday in June.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Bill Dunbar, Ronald Scott, Jr. Mosley, Ellis Amburgey, Tennis Sturgill, Ivan Amburgey, Clark Hayes, Lawrence Day. Communion time — Third Sunday in July.

MORNING STAR — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Ivan Amburgey, Alex Collier, Jr. Damron, Roy Hudson, Baxter Osborne, Walter Mullins, Jimmy Hall. Communion time — Third Sunday in June.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Don Parker, Johnnie Bentley, James Branham, Bill Tackett, Zee Holbrooks, Billie Hamilton, Walter Mullins, Birbage Howell Jr. Frank Newsome. Communion time — Third Sunday in June.

LITTLE EDNA — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in May. Ron Scott, Zee Holbrooks, Clifford Collie, J.E. Tolliver, Don Gibson, Johnnie Newsome, Burbage Howell, Jr., Virgil Combs. Communion time — Fourth Sunday in June.

#### JUNE

LITTLE BETHEL — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Milford Adams, W.P. Deel, Parris Tackett, Frank Newsome, Johnnie Newsome, Buddy W. Carty. Communion time — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE FLOSSIE — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy W. Carty, Chuck Ramey, Earl Lawson, Karrell Addington, Roy Caudill, Buford Brock, Jene Johnson, Buck Tuttle. Communion time — First Sunday in July.

MT. ZION — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Pariss Tackett, Loyd Ray, Newton Vanderpool, Claude Ousley, Joshua Hicks, Russell Hicks, Moderator and Assistant Moderator. Communion time — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE FAMILY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Squire Hamilton, Jr. Mosley, Paul Adkins, Frank Harvey, Jimmie Dale Sanders, Ray Hamilton. Communion time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Don Gibson, James Branham, Squire Hamilton, Earl Lawson, Raymond Lawson, Bill Tackett, Frank Cotton, Charles Ramey and Moderator. Communion time — Second Sunday in July. LITTLE POLLY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy W. Carty, Karrell Addington, Joshua Hicks, Earl Lawson, Hurshell Huff, James Branham. Communion time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE REBECA — Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Woodie Pack, Loyd Ray, Parris Tackett, Ivory Sowards, Fon Bowling, Ivan Amburgey, Hillard Newsome, Hiram Adkins, Johnnie Newsome. Communion time — Third Sunday in July.

FAMILY OF LIVE — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Claude Ousley, Maynard Ratliff, Woody Pack, Jr. Mosley, Clifford Williams, Ivan Amburgey, Karrell Addington, Clifford Colley, Frank Newsome, Parris Tackett. Communion time — Fourth Sunday in July.

MT. OLIVET — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Abel Johnson, Chuck Ramey, Jr. Mosley, Earl Lawson, Glenn Maddox, Clarence Owens, Parris Tackett. Communion time — Fourth Sunday in July.

#### JULY

LITTLE FLOCK — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Rich Griffith, Rayful Griffith, Loyd Ray, Ray Hamilton, Earl Newsome, Ivory Sowards, Fon Bowling, Communion time — Third Sunday in August.

LITTLE ANGEL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July. Eales Cotton, Ivan Amburgey, Baxter Osborne, Russell Hicks, James Branham, Bill Tackett. Commuion time — Fourth Sunday in August.

#### MEMORIAL MEETINGS

LITTLE FLOSSIE-July 30th, 1978

MT. ZION-1st Saturday and Sunday in September. All regular Baptist Ministers invited

LITTLE FAMILY-2nd Saturday & Sunday in October Elders Parris Tackett, Delbert Sanders & Melvin Watts.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S Home—2nd Saturday and Sunday of August. All Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

LITTLE POLLY — 2nd Saturday and Sunday in August. 1978 of all deceased LITTLE REBECCA—3rd Saturday and Sunday in August.

MT. OLIVET-4th Saturday and Sunday in August of all deceased members. LITTLE FLOCK-3rd Saturday and Sunday in June. All Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

MARCUM MEMORIAL—4th Sunday in July. Elders Anthony Hamilton, Russel Hicks, Joshua Hicks, Ivory Sowards, Mike Campbell, Earl Newsome, Bert Hall, Clifford Colley.

LITTLE ANGEL-4th Saturday and Sunday in May. All Regular Baptist

Ministers invited.

ANTIOCH-1st Saturday and Sunday in June.

LITTLE IDA-1st Saturday and Sunday in July. Elders Hamilton, Covis Tackett, Zee Holbrooks, Melvin Watts.

MAGGIE HOME-1st Saturday and Sunday in June 1978.

LITTLE MEMORY-2nd Saturday and Sunday in August.

LITTLE ZION—2nd Saturday and Sunday in August. All Ministers invited. LITTLE CHILDRENS HOME—3rd Saturday and Sunday in September.

MORNING STAR-3rd Weekend in July. Elders Frank Oquine, James Oquine, Frank Newsome and Leonard Kiser.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY-1st Sunday in July. All Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

LITTLE EDNA-4th Sunday in August. All ordained ministers invited. HOUSE OF PRAYER-1st Sunday in November. Elders Ivan Amburgey, Able Johnson, Robert Haney, Baxter Osborne.

LITTLE JEWELL-4th in October 1978. Elders Jr. Mosley, Roy B. Akers, Eddie Tackett, Ivan Amburgey, Garland Mullins.

#### **CHURCH ADDRESSES**

LITTLE REBECCA LITTLE JEWELL, 207 Wheatley Rd	
MAGGIE HOME	
LITTLE POLLY, 19545 Homer Rd	
MT.ZION	
LITTLE FLOCK, Rt.#1	
LITTLE RUTH, Rt. #3	Marengo, Ohio
LITTLE MEMORY	Summan, Ind.
LITTLE EDNA	Lorain, Ohio
LITTLE IDA, 4060 Drennen St	
LITTLE FLOSSIE	Lisbon, Ind.
LITTLE ZION, 53181 Romeo Plank Rd.	
LITTLE PILGRIMS HOME, Highway #224	Ruggles, Ohio
MT. OLIVET, Rt. #1	Stockbridge, Mich.
PLEASANT VIEW, Beat Rd.	Litchfield, Ohio
LITTLE FAMILY	Jacksonburg, Ohio
LITTLE ANGEL, 5733 Saltzgaber Rd	Columbus, Ohio
ANTIOCH, 10817 Barricks Rd	Louisville, Ky.
ROSE OF SHARON, 3744 Carlton Rockwood Rd	
LILLY OF THE VALLEY	
LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME	Laurel Ind
MORNING STAR, 44441 Clay Rd.	
LITTLE BETHEL	Greensprings, Uhio

association, and Elder Paris Tackett to assist in the work of this association.

4. On motion and second the Constitution was read by the assistant clerk and the reading of the Articles of Faith & Rules of Decorum was omitted. The motion also corrected #14 of our Constitution to read as follows: All matters coming 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.

5. Called for legally constituted churches of our same faith and order desiring to join our union and one responded, to wit: Macedonia Church of United Baptist.

6. Called for Associations of our faith and order desiring to continue a Godly correspondence and the following responded.

(a) NEW SALEM — Represented by the following delegates: Jack Sowrd, Dexter Dixon, Lee Fields, Corbett Caudill, Mitchell Chaffins, Woodrow Dye, Able Johnson, Offie Bartley, Preston Tackett, Andy Hamilton, Bill Tackett, Don Little, Don Parker and Carl Ray Tuttle.

(b) OLD UNION — Represented by the following delegates: David Lester, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Delbert Sanders, J. H. Mitchell, Heber Burks, Lon Bowling, Charlie Johnson, Frank Newsome, Lonnie Mounts, Emory Bartley and Oscar Cheetum and Gary Sanders.

(c) PHILADELPHIA — Represented by the following delegates: Clifford Colley, Bill Bartley, L. W. Woods, Doug Folegrove, Paul Stapleton, David Gilliam, Rush Stanley, W. C. Elkins, Paul Morrison, Walter Morrison, Webster Bartley, Loyal Adkins, and Jimmy Miller.

(d) SARDIS — Represented by the following delegates: J. L. Nichols, Johnny Cline, John P. Church, Wallace Muncy, Clifford Maynard, Leslie Blair, Julius Cochran, Delbert Kazee, Edwin Hay, Mike Sheppard, Marshall Williamson, Bill Cochran, James Gannon, Monroe Ousley, Bob Scott, and Johnnie Cline.

(e) INDIAN BOTTOM — Represented by the following delegates: Nelson Seals, Willie Elderidge, and Henry Elderidge.

(f) MUD RIVER — Represented by the following delegates: Wilbur Toppings, Denver Slone, and Luther Ball, Jr.

(g) FRIENDSHIP — Represented by the following delegates: David Lester, Leonard Coleman, Orville Street, Denver Hunt, Lacy Justus, Elzie Reed, and Perry Vance.

All the delegates representing the above named Associations were given the right hand of fellowship and invited to be seated with us in council.

7. The moderator appointed a committee consisting of three delegates from the Little Angel Church together with one delegate from each of the other churches to arrange the ministry for Friday evening and Saturday, who reported as follows: For Friday evening, Elder Johnnie Cline, Elder Fon Bowling and Elder Russell Hicks. For Saturday morning, Elder Wes Woods, Elder Ed May, Elder Delbert Sanders, Elder Nelson Seals and Elder Grover Adkins.

8. Called for transient ministers and members of our faith and order, and the following responded: Ralph Caudill, Walter Mullins, Billy Miller, Roy Caudill, Emory Bartley, Savel Combs, Marvin Hunter, Bill Staten, Buddy Carty, Paris Tackett, W. P. Deel, and Elis Cotton.

9. By motion and second, the Northern New Salem Association agreed to correspond with the following Associations by letter and delegates: (a) NEW SALEM, (b) OLD UNION, (c) PHILADELPHIA, (d) SARDIS, (e) INDIAN BOTTOM, (f) MUD RIVER, and (g) FRIENDSHIP.

I want to say to my brothers and sister, we won't have to see mom suffer anymore. She has laid down the cross we all have to bear if we expect to see the beautiful mansion that is prepared for them that love and serve God. Mom has exchanged the cross for a crown.

We must all be good to dad. Oh, how he must have loved mom, the hours he spent at the hospital, he never wanted to leave her.

Some day when God calls we can all be with mom again and never have to part no more. So fall out with sin and beg to God, the same God that heard mom will hear you.

She has been a faithful member at The Little Rebecca Church, and a great light to the younger sisters and also a great light to this neighborhood.

She was a mother to all us young brothers and sisters.

She has been very sick the last few years, but she seemed to be so patient. So many times I have heard her say, I want the Lord's will to be done.

She spent a long time in the hospital. She desired to come home one more time to meet with her brothers and sisters and to have one more old time meeting. The Lord granted her last desire. She laid in the bed rejoicing and praising the Lord. Her mind was on Heaven, where I feel she has gone, never to suffer anymore.

Brother Abel, I know you will miss her most of all, but cheer up and press on. It won't be long until that Angel will fly again to join you together again, never to part no more.

There are so many things good I could say about Sister Rosie, but those that knew her, know what kind of person she was. The light is left now burning bright in the window for her children to see and the stones are laid piled up at the end of her path to mark the place where she crossed over. The prayers she prayed for her children will always ring loud in their minds and they will lnever forget them.

The family wants to thank everyone that stood by the family in their time of sorrow. May God bless all.

Written by her son, Elder Farris Tuttle and Brother in the Lord, Elder Buddy Carty the time he joined until his death.

Brother Fred leaves his children, his church brothers and sisters, and a whole host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing; but I feel sure Brother Fred has gained that heavenly home of which he talked about so much while he was still here.

Brother Fred and I traveled many miles together in the last 35 years. He was very devoted to his church beliefs. We didn't always agree on certain subjects, but we never quarreled. I loved him very dearly and respected his feelings very much. Brother Fred and I were very close and when he knew I was going off to Church or an association he always wanted to go with me.

And now lest I make this obituary too long, I just want to say to his children and grandchildren that have not made peace with God: If you ever want to see daddy and grandaddy again, fall out with sin and close in with the freely offered mercy of God before it is too late.

Written by a Brother in Christ Elder Baxter Osborne

#### ROSIE TUTTLE

It is with a sad and lonely heart that I will, by the help of God and His guiding spirit, try to write the obituary of our mother, Rosie Tuttle.

Mom was born September 15, 1911 and died December 8, 1976, making her stay on earth 65 years 2 months and 23 days.

She was the daughter of Will Thornsberry and Alice Slone Thornsberry who preceded her in death.

Mom was married to Abel Tuttle in the year of 1927 and unto this union was born 8 children, 7 boys and 1 girl. The boys are: Faris of Shiloh, Ohio, Arthur and Dennie of Willard, Ohio, Talt of Grafton, Ohio, Chester and Olby of Plymouth, Ohio, Willard

of Greenwich, Ohio, and the girl is Gladys Hall of Lagrange, Ohio.

Mom has 3 brothers and 5 sisters also to mourn her loss. They are Artie Amburgey and Hattie Hall of Wheelright, Kentucky; Ruth Huff of Bevensville, Kentucky; Hollie Blevins of Belvedair, South Carolina; Odessa Clark of Warren, Michigan; Landell Thornsberry of Wheelright, Kentucky; Luther Thornsberry of Willard, Ohio, and Olby Thornsberry, Pylmouth, Ohio. She had 27 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, one grand child deceased.

Mom will surely be missed by all who knew her. She had so much love for her friends and for her brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Mom joined the Old Regular Baptist Church at Dry Creek, Kentucky, Providence Church in October 1960. She later moved her letter to The Little Rebecca Church.

She always enjoyed going to church. Many times I would take her and dad to church with me, sometimes she would be so sick and she would tell dad, ''you go on to church and I will be all right," but because of the love God gave them for each other, he would not leave her alone. 10. Appointed a committee to arrange the agenda for Saturday consisting of one delegate from each church, together with the officers of the Northern New Salem Association, transients and delegates from our sister Associations. Committee to meet back at the house at 3:00 p.m. Friday evening.

(a) By a motion and second, the Association adjourned until 9 a.m. Saturday morning.

(b) Committee met pursuant to adjournment Friday noon and completed its work on the bill of arrangements for Saturday's consideration. Friday's session was opened by Elder Johnnie Cline who was blessed with the divine spirit to tell of the goodness of God, prayer by same. Second was Elder Fon Bowling who approached the stand in such an humble spirit. Elder Russell Hicks closed the session, with such wonderful remarks, that would cause one to say "Thank you God, I am alive and able to praise your wonderful name."



#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 1977

The delegates met persuant to adjournment Friday evening. After blending their voices in heavenly harmony as they sang an old familiar song of Zion, Elder Mitchell Chaffins, New Salem Association, introduced the services and was led in prayer by Elder Fon Bowling, Old Union Association.

Business then proceeded as follows:

1. Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees. By motion the committee on arrangements was discharged.

2. The assistant clerk read the bill of arrangements. By a motion and second the bill of arrangements was received.

3. The circular letter written by Elder Cloude Ousley was read by him. By motion and second the letter was received. By the same motion Elder Walter Mullins is to write a circular letter subject to approval at the 1978 session of the association and also have the letter written by Elder Roy B. Akers to the 1977 session of the association printed in the minutes.

4. Appointed a committee on finance as follows: Elders Hiram Adkins, Newton Vanderpool and Johnnie Bentley. They reported money received as follows:

Church Contributions	
Picture Contributions	
Total money received	2.265.00

By motion and second the finance committee was discharged from their duties. 5. The Moderator called for treasurer to report. He reported as follows:

Balance in bank Aug. 1976 \$8	75.21
Church Contributions	80.00
Picture Contributions	90.00
Total money on hand Aug. 1976	45.21

#### Expenses for 1976

Printer's fee\$1,677.20
Secretary's fee
Postage and Insurance
Two rolls binding tape
Traveling expense
Ordination certificates and cards17.35
Authorization seal
Postage and Insurance (2) returned packages
Two telephone calls
Mailing ordination certificates and cards8.36
Total expense for 1976
Money in bank for 1977

6. By motion and second the treasurer's report was accepted. By the same motion Elder Hillard Newsome was appointed recording secretary. He is to have 5,000 copies of the current minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to their contributions. The secretary is to receive \$200.00 for his

tears in my eyes, I think of the good words of our Lord where he said, "Blessed are they that die in the Lord hence forth, Yea saith the Spirit for they do rest from their labor and their works do follow after them."

Mom's work will live on and on. Her children will hear her voice over and over and see her works that will say to them that if you want to see her again that you must be born again and be washed by the same blood she was washed in and drink from the same river and fountain she drank from, for she knew and talked many time how everyone must come the same way, One God, one Lord, oneFaith, one Baptism wherein we must be baptized if we want to see how it looks in Heaven. I could sit here and write all day about mother but that is not necessary. Mom, we will miss you but I will not say good-by but I hope to see you again on Zion Happy Hill where there is no parting, but most of all see that man we talked about so many times.

So, farewell for a little while, I'll see you again on that blessed day when our Lord calls for all his children.

> Memories are treasures that no one can steal, Death is a heartache that no one can heal, Tears may dry and fade away, But in our heart, Mom, you will always stay.

The Golden Gate stood open, God saw you needed rest, His garden must be beautiful, For he always picks the best.

> Written by a son and a daughter-in-law, Elder Donel and Sister Gwendale Gibson

Her memorial will be preached the fifth Saturday and Sunday in July at the Little Rebecca Church.

#### BROTHER FRED AKERS

With a sad feeling and by request of the family of Brother Fred Akers, I will try to write his obituary. Brother Fred was born in Floyd County, Kentucky on February 16, 1888 and departed this life October 14, 1976. He was the son of Andy Akers and America Osborne Akers. He was married in April 1908 to Anna Hall, who preceded him in death. To this union was born five boys and two girls. Brother Fred joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in February 1927. Some time later he was ordained a deacon and served the church faithfully until his death.

Since the Little Jewell Church was organized he was a faithful attender. He had a certain place to sit

and when he was well enough to go he always filled his seat there the same as he did in his home church. The Little Mary Church was his home church from

#### WILLIAM D. SAGER SR.

It is with a broken heart but fond memories that I shall try to write an obituary of my dear father-in-law, William D. Sager, Sr.

He was born August 20, 1929 and departed this life, May 19, 1977, making his stay here on earth 47 years, 8 months, and 20 days.

He is survived by his wife Jennie; two sons; David of Berea and Dennis of Akron; one daughter-in-law, Karene; a grandson, Mark Alan; three brothers, DougIas, Ray and Albert and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

He was killed on his job at the Harshaw Chemical Company when he was struck in the head by a piece of machinery.

A veteran of the Korean War, he had a total of 21 years in the service. We shall all miss him greatly, but live in hope that we shall all be together again in a world where peace and joy will be ours forever.

> Written by his daughter-in-law, Karen Sager

#### ANNIE GIBSON

It is with a heavy heart and by the help of the Good Lord, I will try to write our mother's obituary.

Mom was born at Hueysville, Ky., to Millard and Della Martin on June 12, 1912 and departed from this life January 12, 1977 making her stay here on earth 64 years, 6 months, and 1 day. Mom was married to Thomas Gibson August 30, 1927 and this union was born 9 children. There were three sons; Merland of Shiloh, Donel of New Haven and Thomas J. of Columbus; six daughters, Wanda Hale of Greenwich, Anna Montgomery of Tiro, Betty Rowe of Plymouth, Janet Barnett of Texas, Elora Patton of Toledo and Dorsey Summers of Norwalk. Also, 25

grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild and another great-grandchild since her death. She had four brothers; Kendall, Joe and Hargus Martin and Zebb Webb and one sister. One brother and 2 sisters preceded her in death.

She was baptisted and became a member of the Little Rebecca Church of Old Regular Baptist September 29, 1963. Mom's life is her memorial. The life she lived before the world proved what she was and whose side she was on. She loved all her brothers and sisters in the church and most of all she loved the good word of God. I have heard her so many times when she would get worried and troubled that maybe it wouldn't be long until the Lord would call her home to that beautiful land where there are no trouble and sorrow. Sitting here with services. Printer's fee is to appear on the front cover.

7. By motion and second obituaries of deceased members and friends of the Northern New Salem Association are to appear in these minutes. They are to be typewritten and double spaced. A charge of \$10.00 for pictures was approved by the delegates.

8. The committee on ministry chose the following Elders to preach Saturday evening and Sunday: Saturday evening, 1. Woody Pack, New Salem, 2. Clifford Maynard, Sardis, 3. Frank Newsome, Old Unions. Sunday evening: 1. Jimmy Dale Sanders, Old Union, 2. Clifford Colley, Philadelphia, 3. Mitchell Chaffins, New Salem and 4. Baxter Osborne, Northern New Salem.

9. Called on brethren who agreed to attend union meetings and associations last year to make their report. By a motion and second, it was agreed to omit item #9. Also called for brethren who would agree to serve as messengers to our Sister Associations, and the following agreed to attend:

10. NEW SALEM — When convened with the following churches that agreed to host the Associaiton being held in the permanent Association building, Minnie, Floyd Co., Ky. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Names of the hosting churches: Burning Springs, Little Creek, Caney Creek, Island Creek and Elizabeth. Delegates to attend: John Mullins, Sam Franks, Fletcher Gibson, Ballard Brown, Sam Lewis, Ira F. Kendrick, Albert Hamilton, Robert Wallen, Parris Tackett, Harvey Ratliff, John B. Hale, Joshuah Hicks, Hezekiah Osborn, J.M. Turner, Clyde Blankenship, Jess Bryant, Okie Kent, David Slone, Eual Ratliff, Rayful Griffith, Hiram Adkins, Troy Beverly, Russell Newsome, Tennis Sturgill, James Branham, Buddy Carty, Clifford Bradley, Johnnie Newsome, Birbage Howell, Jr., Floyd Newsome, Golden Newsome and Richard Maynard.

OLD UNION — When convened with the Bethlehem Church, Lemaster, Buchanan Co., Va. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Parris C. Tackett, Roy Caudill, Joshuah Hicks, Floyd Newsome, Albert Hamilton, John Mullins, Hiram Adkins, Ira F. Kendrick, Hezekiah Osborn, David Slone, John Adkins, Okie Kent, Maynard Ratliff, Baxter Osborn, W.P. Deel, Bufford Brock and Sam Franks.

PHILADELPHIA — When convened with the Friendship Church, Flatwoods, Ky. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Parris C. Tackett, Cloude Ousley, Baxter Osborn, W.P. Deel, Buddy Carty, Orville Gillam, Ira F. Kendrick, John B. Hale, Anthony Hamilton, Joshuah Hicks, Sam Franks, Golden Newsome, Richard Maynard, Forest Osborn, Floyd Newsome, Don Lawson, Raymond Stapelton, Jessie Bryant, John Mullins, Russell Newsome and Harvey Ratliff.

SARDIS — When convened with the Southern Home Church, Route #4, Citra, Florida. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: John B. Hale, Ira F. Kendrick, Baxter Osborn, Hiram Adkins, Pete Hensley, Cloude Ousley, Johnnie Newsome, Hezekiah Osborn, Sam Combs and Colman Fields.

INDIAN BOTTOM - When convened with the Blair Branch Church, Sassfras,



Knott Co., Ky. Beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Fletcher Gibson, Hezekiah Osborn, Sam Lewis, C.W. Turner, Roy Caudill, Astor Eldridge, Troy Beverly, Virgil Combs, Melvin Watts, Ivan Amburgey, Hiram Adkins, Baxter Osborn and Parris C. Tackett.

MUD RIVER — When convened with the Mt. Zion Church, Pecks Mill, Logan Co., W. Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Hezekiah Osborn, Jessie Bryant and Baxter Osborn.

FRIENDSHIP — When convened with the Mt. Zion Church, Mohawk, W. Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1977 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Joshuah Hicks, Don Lawson, Floyd Newsome, Richard Maynard, Roy Caudill, Buddy Carty and Sam Franks.

11. Note the report of the Brethren who met with the Little Oval Church on April 30, 1977 to dissolve said church. The following Brethren met with the Little Oval Church on April 30, 1977 for the purpose of dissolving said church, Elders Robert Haney, Alanzo Allen, Raymond Lawson, Jr. Mosley, Baxter Osborn, W. P. Deel, Roy Caudill, Robert Fliming and Buford Brock. Also, Deacons Orville Gilliam, and Carlie Tuttle. They formed themselves into a presbytery by electing Elder Baxter Osborn as Moderator and Elder Alanzo Allen as Clerk. By a motion and second the church agreed to receive the work of the presbytery. Done and signed by order of the presbytery, Elder Baxter Osborn, Moderator and Elder Alanzo Allen, clerk. By a motion and second the Association received the work of the presbytery in dissolving the Little Oval Church.

12. Note request of the Rose of Sharon Church in our 1976 minutes, requesting a standard form of credentials for our ordained authorities. A motion and second was made to receive the standard form of credentials as prepared by the clerk Elder Roy B. Akers.

13. In answer to the request of the Little Jewell Church, concerning a permanent place for the association to meet each year and also standard dismission forms for letters of dismission. By a motion and second the Moderator appointed a committee of the following brethren: Elder Hiram Adkins, Johnnie Bentley, Parris Tackett, Buddy Carty and Brother Ralph Caudill to look into the feasibility of finding a permanent place to meet annually. Be the same motion the Assistant Clerk was given the authority to have standard dismission forms printed.

14. The request for the Little Flock Church to drop Elder Roy Hamilton from our list of ordained ministers, as he is published in disorder and no longer preaching uner our patronage; also, to drop Elder Harrison Runyon's name from the list of ordained ministers, as his credentials were called in and he was silenced for reasons contrary to the principles of the Little Rebecca Church to drop Elder David Pullum's name from the list of ordained ministers was granted by a motion and second.

16. The request from the Little Pilgrim Home Church to ask the Assistant Clerk to correct their Union meeting time from July to June in our 1977 minutes, was granted by a motion and second.

September 19, 1946. Mamaw was a mother and father both to her children for a little over 30 years.

Unto this union were born 12 children, three of whom preceded her in death: Lona, Vester, and Daniel. She leaves 3 daughters and 6 sons to mourn her loss.

They are: Minervea Johnson of Ashland, Ky., Juanita Mitchell of Wyandotte, Mich., Shelby Jones of Southgate, Mich., Irvin Breeding of Price, Ky., Paul of Marion, Ohio, Ersom of Lincoln Park, Mich., Almon of Trenton, Mich., Lester of Gibraltar, Mich., and John of Bowie, Maryland.

Mamaw also leaves two brothers, Ermine of Prestonsburg, and Marlin of Bypro, Ky. to mourn her loss.

She was a typical mother and grandmother. Mamaw has left many stones along the way for her children, 33 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren to follow.

Mamaw's last words while awaiting the death angel, "I have the finest children and grandchildren who ever lived! I love all of them dearly, and I want to live because my children and grandchildren want me to live!"

Mamaw has gone to live with Jesus, who came to her in a vision a few days before she crossed over on the other side. She is at rest I am sure; around the throne of God, and will not suffer as we knew her to suffer here on earth.

To her children and grandchildren who have not made peace with God, if you want to see mom and mamaw again, start seeking that man called Jesus. He has promised to save. You just have to desire him, he will come into your life.

Written by Her Granddaughter who misses her dearly; but I have a hope of meeting Mamaw on the otherside.

#### Linda Mitchell

A treasure was added to heaven today, when the death angel called mamaw to see papaw today; The stones she has left Will shine as pure gold The walk of her life To me was already told.

Angels get my mansions ready, she did sing; While the bells of Heaven they did ring; I loved mamaw so But our God of Heaven loved her better I know. If you want to meet mamaw, Start seeking today; Our Saviour King Jesus Has promised to save.

> Written by her granddaughter, Linda Mitchell

#### FRANKIE EDWARD BRAGG

It is with much sadness that I will try to write an obituary of my much loved and missed husband, Frankie Edward Bragg. He was born on May 30, 1950 to the late Ruben Bragg and Tamery Bragg Messer, and he passed away on February 18, 1977, at the age of 26 years, 8 months, and 19 days. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife, Phyllis, his mother and stepdad, Tamery and Cleatis Messer, his brother, Kenny Bragg, and his sister, Carol Severson, as well as many good friends.

Frank graduated from Franklin Heights High School and Ohio Institute of Technology, and he worked for Industrial Nucleonics in Columbus, Ohio.

On July 12, 1975, he married Phyllis Fortner, and in September 1975, he learned that his body had developed leukemia. He had been praying on account of his sins for some time, but as the seriousness of his condition became more apparent, his prayers became more earnest. One morning in November, 1975, his prayers were answered as the Lord with His Great Mercy lifted the burden of sin from his shoulders. He joined the Little Angel Regular Baptist Church while still in the hospital, and he was baptized in December by his grandfather, Brother Eales Cotton and by one of his best friends, Brother Forest Osborne.

Christmas 1975 was a great blessing to Frank and me. I guess we hadn't realized how precious life was until it was suddenly threatened. One of the best Christmas presents we received that year was the news from Frank's doctor that the leukemia was 100% in complete remission. It wasn't until March, 1976 that our Christmas present began to tarnish as the leukemia began to slowly return. From March, 1976 until his death in February, 1977, as the leukemia slipped more and more out of control, Frank had several beautiful visions. I feel he is at rest now, with no more pain, no more shots, and no more struggling with leukemia.

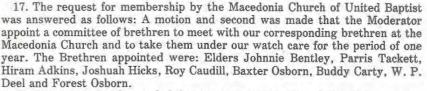
Written by His Loving Wife Phyllis Bragg

#### MARTHA ANN BREEDING

It is with a sad and lonely heart, that I try by the help of the Good Lord to write a few paragraphs; of my dear grandmother; Martha Ann Hall Breeding. Mamaw was born at Hall, Kentucky on August 16, 1896, to Meek and Susan Hall. The Lord whom she served for many years took her home to see Grandpa, October 10, 1976.

She was married to the late John Madden Breeding on February 14, 1913, who preceded her in death on September 19, 1946.

Grandpa Breeding was killed in the coal mines, down in Kentucky on



18. It was moved and seconded that our next session of our beloved Association be held with the Little Rebecca Church, Plymouth, Ohio to begin on Friday before the first Saturday in August, 1978.

19. By a vote of the delegates present, Elder Paul Adkins is to preach the introductory sermon at the 1978 Session of our Association and Elder David Slone is to be his alternate.

20. By a motion and second it was agreed to omit the reading of the Current Minutes.

21. By motion and second the Association agreed to adjourn to the time and place mentioned in the 18th item.

The Twentieth Session was closed by Elder Clifford Maynard who gave wonderful advice and counsel. Elder Hiram Adkins led in prayer which brought gladness to all those in hearing.

Done and signed by the officers of the Association.

Elder Baxter Osborne, Moderator Elder Roy Caudill, Assistant Moderator Elder Roy B. Akers, Clerk Elder Hillard Newsome, Assistant Clerk Brother C.W. Turner, Assistant Clerk



#### SABBATH MORNING AUGUST 8, 1977

As the dawn of another day began to break through the darkness of another night, reminding us that God was still good to his creation, the time had come for us to arise and be about our Father's business.

As the rain began to fall, watering the good earth, that it may bring forth food, for those that dwell thereon, a great host of beloved brethren, sisters and friends of the Old Regular Baptist faith and the Northern New Salem Association, were assembling together on this, another sabbath morning. As they began to mingle their voices together in singing the glorious songs of Zion, one could surely say within their heart, "Surely this is none other than the house of the Lord."

The services on this day, the most sacred day of the week, were introduced by Elder Hillard Newsome and prayer offered by same.

Elder Woody Pack, from the New Salem Association, was second on the stand. He was blessed with that humble, dove-like spirit, to beg the people to choose that good part that Mary chose, reminding us that if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the sinner and the ungodly appear.

Elder Buddy Carty humbly approached the stand, being overshadowed by the spirit of the Lord. He was blessed to give good advice and counsel, warning lost men and women the danger of living and dying in sin. In his discourse he was blessed to remove all doubts, that this was none other than the land of Buleah, our souls being blessed with the dew from sweet heaven's shore.

In the meekness of the spirit, our beloved and highly respected moderator, Elder Baxter Osborn, came to the pulpit. As he began to address the congregation, the countenance on his face gave evidence, that love and peace had abounded through this session of our Association. Brother Osborn quoted, "For what went ye out to see." He was blessed to give good advice and counsel, reminding us how the Lord had ever provided and made a way for his children. As a blessed old song of Zion was being sung, bringing to a close and another session of this grand old Association, one could hear the cries of his children: "Thank you Lord for your goodness, for that love and peace we find in you." I am sure that the God of our salvation took notice of our gathering and poured us all out a blessing. Assistant Modified Elder Roy Caudill made short remarks and led in a prayer of thankfulness.

Thus ended the Twentieth Session of the Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist of Jesus Christ.

Humbly, Your Assistant Clerk

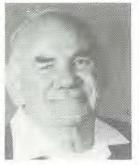
There's nowhere else to look to find words to express to the members and friends of the Little Angel Church, for their hospitality shown to us during this session.

We are deeply grateful to all who open their doors and invited us in, giving us food and lodging, causing one to remember the home of Martha and Mary, the tent home of Abraham. Thank God for such people as you.

May God ever be mindful of our dear Sisters, whose tender hands prepared the boundful amounts of delicious food and goodies, that gave nourishment to

#### WILEY HOWARD

With much sadness and by request of Sister Bessie, I will try to write the obituary of her beloved husband, Wiley Howard. He was the son of the late Dr. Bill Howard and Liza Jane Johnson Howard and was born September 6, 1900 and deceased at 4:40 p.m. November 11, 1976. His stay on earth was 76 years, 2 months, and 5 days. He was first married to Mary Shepherd and unto this union 3 children were born. One infant son and Eva preceded him in death and Sally is still living. His first wife Mary also preceded him in death and he was then married to Bessie Nolan and unto this union 8 children were born of which 4 of them preceded him also in death.



They were Isola, Bertural, Gertrude, and Kelly. This leaves Sally Howard and Doris Fulper of Akron, Ohio, Viola Weaver and Earl Edward Howard of Willard, Ohio, Wanda Hughes and Andrew Howard of Plymouth, Ohio, 23 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one sister Audie Ousley of Manton Kentucky, to mourn his loss.

Brother Wiley joined the Old Philadelphia Church of Old Regular Baptist on May 5, 1949 and lived a Christian and faithful member until his death.

Brother Wiley had his faults, but let us look and examine our own selves and just maybe ours would hide his. He was always pleased to see his brothers and sisters to come in his home to visit with him.

May 1975 he was first admitted to the Shelby Hospital and was in and out many times. We came into his home very often to hold meetings for him and he would always say I feel better now.

On Tuesday, November 9, he got real bad and the family called for Emma and me and when we got there Arnold and wife, Ellen and his children were there. We did, everything possible to make him more comfortable. I feel Gods eyes were watching over him. He asked Arnold and me not to leave him and stated several times he was have no pain and he wanted to go home. The last whisper he gave me was, "I love you."

The riches of a Christian life and his loving counsel should be a pattern to his children and this should mean more than tons upon tons of purest gold to them or to anyone that is really interested in living a better life. Honoring to God, he was truly a devoted husband and a good father, a kind friend, and a worthy neighbor. Even though it was expected, this leaves a vacant place in the home, the church, the community, and in our hearts that cannot be filled.

These words seem very appropriate in a special way to Brother Wiley: -COME YE BLESSED OF MY FATHER, ENTER INTO THE JOY OF THE LORD, HE HAS ENTERED THERE AMID THE SHOUTS OF THE ANGELS AND THE GLORIOUS ONE OF ETERNITY TO BEFORE EVER BLESSED. So we conclude, sleep on, Brother Wiley, Our loss is Heaven's gain.

> Written by a sorrowing brother and his good wife: Elder Claude Ousley Sister Bessie Howard

#### LULA HALL TACKETT

In remembrance of my beloved aunt Lula Hall Tackett, born Feb. 1908 at Etty, Kentucky, departed from this life Nov. 8, 1975; age 67 years, 9 months, and 8 days.

She was the daughter of the late Willard Hall and Euna Brown Hall. In early life she was married to Frank Tackett. They were happily married 54 years when God called her home. She was loved and respected by her neighbors and friends. One son preceded her in death. Other than her husband, she leaves to mourn two sons: Leon and Lavon Tackett, both of Virgie, Kentucky; two daughters: Glema Anderson of River Rouge, Michigan; Marie Burke of



Virgie, Kentucky; eleven grand children; 13 great-grandchildren, three brothers: Allard and Edgar Hall, both of Virgie, Kentucky, and Wilburn Hall of Dorton, Kentucky; two sisters: Belle Tackett of Ashland, Kentucky, Stella Johnson of Indian Creek Road, Virgie, Kentucky, and a host of friends and relatives.

I have many precious memories of her and of the last talk I had with her in this world a few weeks before she passed away. I believe she has joined God's happy kingdom of love with her loved ones who have gone on before her. I remember how happy she was when she got the news that her grand daughter, Sister Dorothy Little had joined the church at Morning Star. She loved the Old Regular Baptist Church.

Uncle Frank, God bless you in your lonely hours. You were so good to Aunt Lula and the family. I believe you are getting ready to meet Aunt Lula again in that happy land where no dying ever comes. As time is drifting by, may the rain and snow be light on her grave as she sleeps beneath the cedar trees in the family cemetery to await that great judgement morning. I am living in hopes of meeting her in Canaan's Happy Land.

> Written by her nephew, Brother Milford Hall of Ecorse, Michigan

our weak bodies. Ever remember there will be a place in heaven for Sisters like you.

May the friends of the Little Angel Church and the Northern New Salem Association, always remember how grateful we are to them for their help, consideration and thoughtfulness toward us. Surely God will richly bless you along life's pathway.

Again our thanks to God, may he bless and keep you until in heaven we met. Humbly, Your Assistant Clerk

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To the officers and delegates that may compose the Northern New Salem Association: brother delegates of our sister Associations, and many friends, I am absent in body, but you may be assured that I am with you in the spirit of love. Words cannot adequately express my failure to be present with you all this morning. However, an affliction so common among mankind has laid hold of this mortal frame that holds this house of clay together has prevented me from meeting with you, which has been my joy for 19 years.

I need not remind you that we have been through some stormy sessions together, but thanks be unto God who has provided the love that would not let us be separated from the love of His dear Son who died for us that we might love.

To be sure, nature will ever be present as a thorn in the flesh to hinder us. But nature has never been strong enough to overcome the mighty power of God, which power transcends all the power that Satan has ever been able to command.

So dear brethren, there is no more need in life without hope, for without hope a person is dead.

My hopes are centered in heaven. Hopes must be solid. And hope must be placed in something that is able to fulfill the glories of heaven.

Again, God bless you to work in the unity of love.

Your humble servant I pray, Elder Roy B. Akers

