

**MINUTES
OF THE
TWENTY-FIFTH
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
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NEW SALEM
ASSOCIATION OF
OLD REGULAR
BAPTIST OF
JESUS CHRIST**



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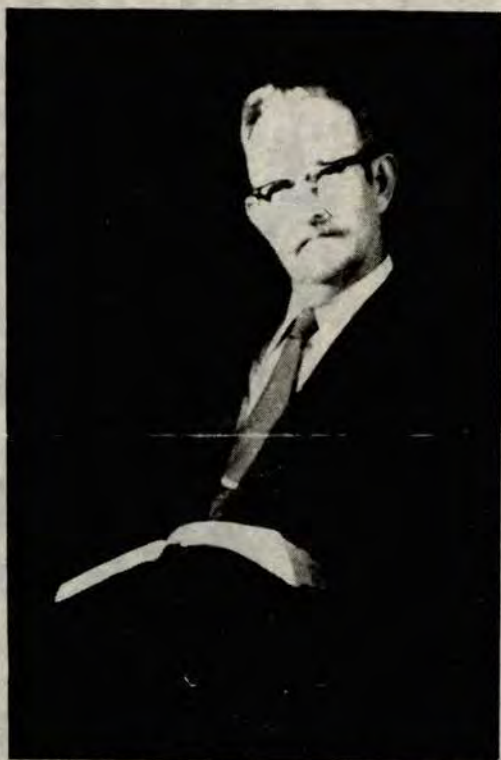
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A MEMORIAL DEDICATION TO THE LATE ELDER ROY B. AKERS

Be it resolved that in compliance with the unanimous wishes of the Northern New Salem Association. That we dedicate this the twenty-fifth session to the memory of a previous beloved brother the late Elder Roy B. Akers, who so faithfully served as the first Clerk of the Association from organization in 1957 until his death in 1978. A man gifted of God and used his talents to the fullest to the glory and honor of God. Bro. Roy piled up stones, that he had gathered along this tedious journey. That we can all see that this is where God took him by the hand and led him to that land of Pure Delight which he with so great love and enthusiasm sang about. So many wonderful inspired songs that he composed, is a part of the legacy left by him. Surely his steps were ordered of the Lord.

Committee,

**Elder Paris C. Tackitt
Elder Roy Caudill
Elder Buddy W. Carty
Elder Claude Ousley
Elder Ray Hamilton
Elder Hillard Newsome**

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FRIDAY SESSION

As the sunshine of an early August morning was having difficulty breaking through the cloudy skies. Yet it did not hinder the many faithful believers of the Old Regular Baptist faith, that had traveled so many miles over the dangerous highways to attend this the twenty-fifth annual session of the Northern New Salem Association.

As the large pavilion, that had been erected for this purpose, by the faithful and dedicated ones of the Little Rebecca Church, began to fill to capacity. Such a joy and oh! what a blessing to be one in the assembly of God's people. Many were reminded of the gathering twenty-five years ago on these grounds. For the purpose of organizing this grand old Association. Yes, a quarter of a century has come and gone, so have many ones that labored for the cause of Christ, leaving behind precious memories for we that follow.

Several of the inspiring songs of Zion were sung, after which Elder Buck Tuttle, being the alternate, came forward in a very meek spirit to introduce the services. Expressing his love for this little family. He begged the Brothers and Sisters to live a life that is different from the world, so they can see that we are a peculiar people. Christ layed down his life for us, we ought to lay down our life for him. Prayer by same.

Elder Forest Osborne, being chosen at our 1981 session to preach the introductory sermon for this our twenty-fifth session. Approaching the stand in a very humble spirit, telling how Jesus led him to see the straight and narrow path. He asked the assembly to pray that the delegates would be of one mind and one accord as the apostles were in the days of Christ. Brother Osborne preached of how the Devil tempts us, but we the children of God don't yield to his temptations. Stay in the old time way and stand on what the Bible teaches.

After the introductory sermon being delivered, our beloved moderator invited those who were not delegates to remain at the pavilion, where the preaching services would be conducted and those who were delegates to assemble in the house where the business of the Association would begin.

The delegates being assembled in the house, Elder Grover Adkins of the New Salem Association was called on to make remarks. In a very humble spirit, he was blessed to preach of the love of God. How God's love will cause his children to live humble and be obedient. To be patient with one another and there is nothing to separate us from the love of God. Prayer was offered by Elder Clifford Colley, Philadelphia Association. A prayer I am sure our heavenly Father took note of. Let's be humble servants.

This the twenty-fifth annual session of the Northern New Salem Association was called to working order by the moderator Elder Baxter Osborne.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 1982

1. The moderator called for the letters from the churches that compose the Northern New Salem Association to be handed into the Clerk. On motion and second, the letter from the Little Rebecca Church was read by the Clerk and found in order. After the letter being read by the Clerk, a motion and second was made to receive all the letters and seat the delegates. By the same motion, 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 the next 12 months:

Elder Roy Caudill	Moderator
Elder Paris Tackitt	Assistant Moderator
Elder Hillard Newsome	Clerk
Bro. C.W. Turner	Assistant Clerk

- (a) Noted by the Association concerning our finance committee and was moved and seconded that our finance committee be appointed at the same time of the election of officers. Committee appointed: Elders: Hiram Adkins, Paris Tackitt and Ray Hamilton.

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

4. On motion and second the Articles of Faith and Constitution were omitted and by the same motion, the Clerk read the Rules of Decorum.

5. Called for legally constituted churches of our same faith and order desiring to join our union and none responded.

6. Called for Associations of our same faith and order desiring to continue a Godly correspondence and the following responded:
 - (a) **NEW SALEM** — Represented by the following delegates: Ronald McCarty, Tilton Dye, Cletis Messer, Troy Hall, C.B. Smith, Troy Branham, Elisha Branham, Hiram Adkins, Donald Blake Little, Angus Slone, George Mathews, Arthur Issac, James Tuttle, Omery Compton, Offie Bartley, Don Parker, Litton Dye, Jimmy Hall, Lloyd Hall, Woodrow Dye, Eales Cotton, Wesley Griffith, Delmer Williams, Grover Adkins, Robert Haney, James Waddles, Tom Waddles, Forest D. Hall, Robert Flemming, Lee Fields, James Tuttle, Harold Tuttle, Woodrow Pack and Corbet Caudill. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

 - (b) **UNION** — Represented by the following delegates: Lee Williamson, Jimmie Dale Sanders, Delbert Sanders, Gary Sanders, Paul McClanahan, Auty McClanahan, Amous Bartley, Webster Kiser, Webster Bartley, David Lester, Emory Bartley, Frank Newsome,

Bill Campbell, Hayes Hatfield, Estill Hamilton, Frank Adams, Oscar Cheatam, Dave Williamson, and Noah Mullins. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

- (c) **PHILADELPHIA** — Represented by the following delegates: Clifford Colley, Paul Morrison, David Ross, Harvey Ross, Lowell Adkins, Doug Colegrove, Harlan Barney, Jack Adkins, Creton Elkins, Rollen Hollens, John P. Clark, Allen Tolliver and Coy Tolliver. By motion and second the letter was received and the delegates were seated with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

- (d) **SARDIS** — Represented by the following delegates: Tommy Adair, Edwin Hay, Delbert Kazee, Clyde Brown and Wayne Herald, Jr. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

- (e) **INDIAN BOTTOM** — Represented by the following delegates: Jim Fields, Elwood Cornett, Ivan Amburgey, Merle Smith, Glen Hampton and Curl Dixon. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

- (f) **MUD RIVER** — Represented by the following delegate: Freeman Goode. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegate with us in council. He was given the right hand of fellowship.

- (g) **OLD FRIENDSHIP** — Represented by the following delegates: Elzie Reed, David Lester, Leonard Coleman, Orvill Street, Lacy Justice, Howard Sliger, Henry Hagerman, George Baker, Phillip Estep and Sherman Strett. Motion and second was made to receive the letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

7. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of three delegates from the Little Rebecca Church, together with one delegate from each of the other churches to arrange the ministry for Friday evening and Saturday morning, who reported as follows: Friday evening - Elders (1) George Baker - Old Friendship, (2) Elis Cotton - New Salem and (3) Elwood Coronett - Indian Bottom. Saturday morning - Elders (1) Tommy Adair - Sardis, (2) Woodrow Dye - New Salem, (3) Delbert Sanders - Union, (4) Hiram Adkins - New Salem and (5) Clifford Colley - Philadelphia.

8. Called for transient ministers and members of our same faith and order and the following responded: Baxter Osborne, Ron Scott, Alex Collier, James Waddles, Tom Waddles, Forest D. Hall, W.P. Deel, Jay Mitchell, Willis Gibson, Angus Slone, Robert Haney, Robert Flemming,

Marvin Hunter, Forest Osborne, Conley Daniels, Lee Fields, James Tuttle, Harold Tuttle, Woodrow Pack, Hiram Adkins, Donald B. Little, Coribet Caudill, Bill Bartley, C. W. Turner and Hillard Newsome.

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) Union, (c) Philadelphia, (d) Sardis, (e) Indian Bottom, (f) Mud River and (g) Old Friendship.
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 and the officers and delegates from our corresponding Associations. Committee to meet back at the house at 3 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. The services for Friday evening were opened by Elder George Baker - Old Friendship, prayer by same. Second was Elder Elis Cotton - New Salem and third was Elder Elwood Cornett - Indian Bottom.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1982

The delegates met pursuant to adjournment Friday evening at the house to continue the work of the Association. Arising early that we may be about the Father's business. Thanking God for the early rising and the rest he had given our tired bodies. Yet, were we ever so happy to be one in the number of the living, and able to praise this great God, the creator of all things. Glory, praise and honor to his holy name, for being a child of the King. After making melody in their hearts by singing the hymns of Zion, Elder Jimmy Dye of the New Salem Association introduced the services. Begging the brethren to live to the teaching of the Bible. Prayer by same.

After brief remarks from the moderator, business proceeded as follows:

1. Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees.
2. The Bill of Arrangements was read by the Clerk. By a motion and second they were received and the committee on arrangements was discharged.
3. The Circular Letter written by Elder David Slone for our 1982 session was read by him. By motion and second, the letter was received. By the same motion, Elder Robert Wallen is to write a Circular Letter, subject to approval at our 1983 session.

4. The finance committee appointed Friday. Item 2a consisting of Elders: Hiram Adkins, Paris Tackitt and Ray Hamilton gave their report as follows.

1982 Church Contributions	\$3,420.00
1982 Picture Contributions	350.00
Other Contributions	<u>30.00</u>

Total money received for 1982 \$3,800.00

By motion and second the finance committee was discharged from their duties.

5. The Moderator called for the treasurer to give his report. He reported as follows:

Balance in bank, August 1, 1981	\$1,722.12
1981 Church Contributions	3,460.00
1981 Picture Contributions	280.00
Other Contributions 1981	<u>-0-</u>

Total money on hand August 2, 1981 \$5,462.12

1981 EXPENSES

Printer's fee	\$2,800.00
Secretary's fee	200.00
Rental fee for safe deposit box	24.00
Traveling expense for Clerk and Assistant Clerk	30.00
Postage and telephone	7.55
Delivery of 1981 minutes	20.00
Office Equipment Co., Ledger	<u>43.70</u>

Total expense for 1981 \$3,125.25

Money on hand August 2, 1981	\$5,462.12
Less 1981 expenses	<u>3,125.25</u>

\$2,336.87
 Plus interest received on Savings Account 102.33

Money on hand August 6, 1982 \$2,439.20

1982 Church Contributions	\$3,420.00
1982 Picture Contributions	350.00
Other Contributions	<u>30.00</u>

Total money received for 1982 \$3,800.00
 Plus Balance August 6, 1982 2,439.20

Balance August 8, 1982 \$6,239.20

Bank Balance, Bank of Louisville	
Checking Account, August 6, 1982	\$280.41
Savings Account, August 6, 1982	2,000.00
Total interest received	<u>158.79</u>

Total July 31, 1982 \$2,439.20

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 5,500 copies of the current minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to their contributions. The secretary is to receive \$200.00 for his 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 be printed in these minutes. They are to be typewritten and double spaced. A charge of \$10.00 for pictures was approved by the delegates. A motion and second was made for the Clerk to use his own judgment as to pictures that is suitable to be placed in the minutes.
8. The following ministers were chosen by the committee to preach Saturday evening and Sunday. Saturday evening Elders (1) Robert Haney - New Salem, (2) Jimmy Hall - New Salem, due to being absent was replaced by W.P. Deel - Northern New Salem, and (3) Jr. Mosley, Northern New Salem. Paul McClanahan - Union was absent. Sunday morning Elders: (1) Teddy Robinson and (2) George Matthews both from New Salem, (3) Baxter Osborne - and (4) Roy Caudill both from Northern New Salem.
9. Called on brethren who agreed to attend Union meetings and Associations for the year 1981 and 1982 to make their report. By a move and second their reports were received.
10. Moved and second to correspond with the following Associations by letter and delegate and the Clerk prepare the letters.
 - (a) **NEW SALEM** — when convened with the following churches: Stone Coal, Cold Springs, Ball Branch, Bethel and Hollybush that agreed to host the Association being held in the permanent building, Minnie, Floyd County, Kentucky. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1982 and continuing the two following days, Delegates to attend: Joshua Hicks, W.P. Deel, Don Mullins, John Mullins, Harrison Runyons, Paris Tackitt, Milton Dye, Ballard Brown, David Slone, Earnie Tuttle, Troy Beverly, James P. Hensley, Darrell Parks, Amos Williams, Jackson Holbrooks, Hillard Newsome, James Branham, Paul Adkins, Baxter Osborne, C. W. Turner, Birbage Howell Jr., and Robert Wallen. Letter in the hands of Bro. Milton Dye.
 - (b) **UNION** — when convened with the Ash Camp Church, Ash Camp, Pike County, Kentucky. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September 1982, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Bob Williams, Ernie Tuttle, Walter Parker, David Slone, Paris Tackitt, John Mullins, Jackson Holbrooks, Joshua Hicks, Baxter Osborne, W.P. Deel and Marvin Potter. Letter in the hands of W.P. Deel.

- (c) **PHILADELPHIA** — when convened with the Mt. Olive Church at the Association Building, Melrose, Worthington, Kentucky. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August 1982 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: David Slone, Bob Williams, Ernie Tuttle, John Mullins, Paris Tackitt, Darrell Parks, Pete Hensley, Troy Beverly, Baxter Osborne, Hillard Newsome, Joshua Hicks, Paul Adkins, Jackson Holbrooks, and Sam Franks. Letter in the hands of John Mullins.
 - (d) **SARDIS** — When convened with the Rebecca Church, Myrtle, West Virginia. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September 1982, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Pete Hensley, David Slone, John Mullins, Paris Tackitt, Jackson Holbrooks, Roy Caudill, Baxter Osborne, Hillard Newsome, Paul Adkins, Harrison Runyon, Forest Osborne, Troy Beverly and Johnny Newsome. Letter in the hands of Pete Hensley.
 - (e) **INDIAN BOTTOM** — when convened with the Little Dove Church at the Association Building, Sassafras, Knott County, Kentucky. Beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September 1982, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Bill Ison, Pete Hensley, Lawrence Day, Clarence Jenkins, Aster Eldridge, Albert Osborne, Baxter Osborne, C.W. Turner, Stoney Blackburn and Birchel Short. Letter in the hands of Elder Baxter Osborne.
 - (f) **MUD RIVER** — when convened with the Little Laurel Church, Myra, Lincoln County, West Virginia. Beginning on Friday before the fifth Sunday in August 1982, and continuing the two following days. Delegate to attend: James Curry. Letter in the hands of same.
 - (g) **OLD FRIENDSHIP** — when convened with the Old Samariah Church, Jolo, W. Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 1982, and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Earnie Tuttle, Roy Caudill, Marvin Potter, Buford Brock, W.P. Deel, Hendrix Hampton, Johnny Newsome and James Curry. Letter in the hands of Elder Roy Caudill.
10. By a move and second the Treasurer was authorized to send a check from the Association in the amount of (\$1,000.00) one thousand dollars, to the Little Rebecca Church in appreciation for the facilities they had built, making it more convenient for our gathering.
 11. Moved and second to grant the request of the Antioch Church in dedication this the 25th session of the Northern New Salem Association to the memory of the late Elder Roy B. Akers, for his faithful and dedicated service as their first Clerk.
 12. Moved and second to grant the request of the Morning Star Church. Requesting the name of Elder Sheridan Hall be removed from the list of ordained ministers.

13. Moved and second to grant the requests from the Antioch, Family of Love, Little Ruth and Little Rebecca Churches. Concerning omitting item number 13, page 10, year 1967 of the Northern New Salem Association minutes, and to adopt item number 17, page 4 of the 1970 minutes of our mother the New Salem Association, which reads as follows: Not to use any man with two living women, (or whose wife has two living men) to preach in the bounds of the Northern New Salem Association and the Moderators to adhere to this advice. An objection was made to this move. A vote was taken, 42 voted in favor of the motion, 21 against, motion carried, request granted.
14. In answer to the request from the Little Rebecca Church. Asking the Northern New Salem Association, "If it is legal to issue credentials to a brother without the Moderator and Clerk of the presbytery having their signature on them?" By a move and second, we as an advisory and council answers, yes it is legal and by the same motion it was confirmed that from this day forward, all credentials of ministers being ordained shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk of the presbytery to become legal.
15. The request from the Little Rebecca Church was granted by a move and second. Granting them the privilege to host the twenty-six annual session of this our beloved Association to commence on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1983 and continuing the two following days.
16. A committee, consisting of the following Elders: Roy Caudill, Paris Tackitt, Ray Hamilton, Buddy W. Carty, Claude Ousley and Hillard Newsome were chose to write a note of appreciation to Elder Baxter Osborne for his faithful service to the Northern New Salem Association. By a move and second they were authorized to write said note.
17. By a motion and second the committee appointed in item 16 was chosen to write a note of condolence to the Union Association in the passing of the late Elder Johnny Clevinger, Old Friendship in the passing of Elder Plenny Rowe and to the Elders of our beloved Association.
18. By secret vote of the delegates Elder Baxter Osborne was chosen to preach the introductory sermon at our 1983 session and Elder W.P. Deel is to be his alternate.
19. By a motion and second, it was agreed to omit the reading of the current minutes.
20. By a motion and second, the Association agreed to adjourn to the time and place mentioned in the fifteenth item of the current minutes.

The Twenty-fifth Session of the Northern New Salem Association was concluded by Elder Teddy Robinson of the New Salem Association. With much rejoicing, but yet some sadness of parting. Once more the time had come for we his children to take the parting hand. Living in hope of meeting again next year. If not here, over in the glory land where parting never comes and all will be peace and love.

Done and signed by the officers of the Association.

Elder Roy Caudill	Moderator
Elder Paris Tackitt	Assistant Moderator
Elder Hillard Newsome	Clerk
Bro. C.W. Turner	Assistant Clerk

SABBATH MORNING

AUGUST 8, 1982

As a large number of pilgrims began to assemble at the Little Rebecca Church. The clouds were hanging low, as if rain may appear anytime. Shortly after many of the old time songs of Zion were sung. God saw fit to water the good earth, quenching it's thirst, that it may be able to provide food for it's hunger.

First on the stand was Elder Teddy Robinson from the New Salem Association. In a very humble and meek spirit he was blessed to bring joy to the hearts of the listeners. Prayer by same.

Elder George Matthews, New Salem Association in a very humble spirit approached the stand as our second witness. Begging the congregation to love God above everything on earth. To die dead to the love of all sin and become a new creature in Christ.

Third to approach the stand was Elder Baxter Osborne, Northern New Salem Association. Warning the people of a great storm a coming, and they ought to get ready by turning to the Lord. Saying you will find rest and he will give you peace. Bro. Osborne was well blessed to proclaim the goodness of the Lord.

Our beloved moderator Elder Roy Caudill was last to approach the stand, he was blessed to preach on, what manner of love is this, that we should be called the children of God. Pleading to let that love continue and the children of God ought to be an example to the world.

As an old time song was being echoed around the Little Rebecca Church, handshakes were being exchanged by the congregation and a prayer was being whispered, "Thank you Lord and keep us safe for another year."

Elder Paris Tackitt, Assistant Moderator offered a very humble and heart warning prayer.

Your humble servant,
Elder Hillard Newsome, Clerk

I shall endeavor in behalf of the officers, delegates, members and many friends of the Northern New Salem Association to express to you the members, friends and acquaintance of the Little Rebecca Church our gratitude to you for your generosity and kindness shown us during our stay in that part of the moral vineyard. May the sunshine of God's love continue to brighten the humble homes that open their doors to tired, weary pilgrims. Our thanks to the ones that were so generous in showing their appreciation by donation to the sum of \$996.25 to the Little Rebecca Church. Everything was so convenient and well organized. May God grant you good cooks a special blessing and everyone that helped in the food lines, just a little more of his goodness. We love and we care.

To you that resided in Campers Village, we hope your stay was a pleasant one, your journey home safe. People like you would be the kind of neighbors that we all would enjoy living by. We say to you a big thanks for the donation of \$113.00 to the Little Rebecca Church in appreciation for the convenience, which made your stay more pleasant. God bless you today, tomorrow and always for being one of us.

Humbly yours,
Bro. Newsome, Clerk

Circular Letter
to the
Northern New Salem Association
of Old Regular Baptist
The Church of Jesus Christ

Dear brother delegates of the Northern New Salem Association. Being chosen by a move and second, without objection to write a circular letter for the year of nineteen hundred and eighty two. Our twenty fifth annual session, of this grand association. For your approval or rejection. I know many of my brothers and sisters of our sister associations will be reading this letter if approved. I thank all the brother delegates for putting confidence enough in me. Realize my weakness and small talent among so many wonderful brothers. I understand writing a circular letter you should wait upon the Lord (Holy Spirit) to move your mind and heart before you write. Just as the men of old did when they wrote the holy Bible. For if this letter meet the association approval then many days after I have gone to rest from my labor here on earth, to the paradise of God and my body has returned to the dust. I trust my grand children and your children will read this letter. One thing I want to say before I start my subject, I have been blessed to attend every session, since I have been in this association, and only one time can I remember speaking in the association, that was to ask for to host the association to be held at my home church (also preaching).

The subject that has continued to bear on my mind and heart, is concerning the Elder's, or Ministers. The Elder's which are among you I exhort, who am also an Elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed: The reason I feel so strong to write unto you about this subject, and Elder is where the association and church has most all of its trouble. I know we are going to have false Elders among us for Christ said that false Christs and false Prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect. No marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. There it is no great thing if his Minister also be transformed as the Ministers of righteousness: whose end shall be according to their works. We have had Elder's among us who use the church for a cover up for their sins. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly: and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. Making merchandise of innocence children of God. When these visit your church, many will shout, and preach; making a lot of noise while the congregation is setting idle. The reason for this is that many glory after the flesh. For it is not who I, or you commendeth that is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth. Try the spirit if it be of God. For the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel, and those that man has ordained to be Elder's cannot live, or preach the gospel. With all the suffering Paul had to endure, the most he had to contend with was false brethern. So I know we are in a warfare with Satan; if there was no war, God wouldn't need any soldiers. Ye therefore beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

Brethren I think today we are confronted with another problem. I feel we ordain some brother, before they are ready. We ordain some brothers that are not nourished up in the word; only a babe in Christ. We hurt them more, than we help them. Also we ordain brothers, who are always wanting to change the practice of Old Regular Baptist. When we do this, we are only asking for more trouble. Paul the Apostle, was ordained by Christ, but he had to prove himself to the brethern, before he was accepted. Paul had been a persecutor of the church, consented to Stephen death, bound men and women committed them to prison, and many more evil things. It is a great honor to be called of God as a Minister, but no man taketh this honor unto himself, but he that is called of God as was Aaron. When I felt a calling from God to go and preach his gospel, I didn't know as much then as I do today. I have grown in grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus Christ, and as long as God permit me to live, I shall never cease learning, asking him for wisdom. So as I increase in wisdom I shall increase in sorrow. It is required of me as an Elder to speak evil of no man, and be an example to the flock, also to keep my self unspotted from the world. I don't want to seem to be not thankful for the young brother that God has called, but to wait until he has proven his gift to the church, as well as the prebytery, before he is ordained, will help him. Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. You my older Elders need to be more firm when you ordain a brother to the Ministry, whether he stand on the word of God, and Old Regular Baptist. I think if we are going to carry the name of Old Regular Baptist, let us stand up for what our forefathers fought for. Some don't want you to mention the name when you are

preaching. There are many today which say, we follow traditions and they don't believe in any traditions. Therefore brethren, standfast, and hold the tradition which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. I want to say I feel with all my heart, soul, mind and strength Jesus Christ made a Christian out of me. Then he had work for me to do in the Old Regular Baptist Church. Which I am not ashamed of; and love the order and precept she stands for. If I didn't believe the Old Regular Baptist was living and working according to the plan of God. I would get out from them, because I didn't come to try to change them. I have heard brothers make remarks, that our fore father just preach what they hear someone else say, because they couldn't read. I know many didn't have the natural education we have today, but they trusted more in the Lord to direct them, than most Elder's do today. Lean not to thy own understanding, but in all thy way acknowledge him and he shall direct your path. Many times I have felt the Lord would take charge of the old Elder's mind, and they would preach the hidden mystery of the gospel. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God. I don't think the older Minister should talk about the young Minister's faults, and mistakes. He should talk to him, and show him his faults, and he will love you for it, but those that sin rebuke before all that others also may fear. Young brethren if you think you know it all, or you don't need an older Elder's advice you are in for a lot of trouble. You may say I will get my order from the Lord that is true, you should, but by listing to the trial and storms of Satan, some older brother has encountered you can learn a lesson from God, through him. My son, be strong in the things that thou has heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it. I think this holds true for our church as well as our natural home. We as Elder's should never be guilty of encouraging, or discouraging a brother into preaching, he should be fully persuaded in his own mind. Just because a brother is well esteemed among the brotherhood, or is a good singer, doesn't qualify him as a Minister. The eye cannot hear, ear cannot see and etc. but ever member is particular with the Lord and is placed in the body as it please him. Years ago the members of a church would search for some Elder to be their moderator, but today it seems the Elders are searching to be moderator. The only way an Elder can be a moderator of a church is for the Holy Ghost to make him the overseer, and then he can lead the flock. If today we would search out among us one that labor in the word to be our moderator, our church would prosper in the right way. The man that is a hireling cares not for the flock, all the time he stays with us, he desires to change the practice, we have been taught. Some times a little something new starts among us, which doesn't seem to matter at the time, but what about our fathers and mothers in Christ. When ye sin so against the brother and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ. Meddle not with them that are given to change. When I was a babe in Christ; I would sit quiet concerning many things, and went along with things; I wouldn't today. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child, but when I became a man, I put away childish things. Just in the past fifteen years, I have been with the Old Regular Baptist, I have seen many new things come in the church. Things that God gets no glory at all out of, and I'm not referring to things to make the church house nice, and comfortable for us. For we will never be able to build a

building as Solomon's Temple. There are many things, and many celebrations we have in our natural home, but the house of God is no place for any thing, except to worship him. There is a time, and place for all things. Jesus said my house shall be called the house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves. For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God. So any thing permitted to go on in God's house, except to worship him, I think the moderator of that church is most responsible. When you shall see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the Prophet, standing where it ought not (let him that readeth understand). Many times children of God, crying with sorrow, because of division and change's. I beseech you, brethern mark them which cause division and offences contrary to the doctrine which: ye have learned: and avoid them. Many times a moderator will know something is going on among his flock, that shouldn't be, and turn his back on it, or try to cover it up, because he would not be elected moderator. He that covereth his sins shall not prosper; but who so confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. Be sure your sins will find you out. So brethern if God has made you a watchman, over his people, it is required of you if you see trouble coming to warn them. Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly. We need older Elders for moderators, that has earned the respect and confidence of both the church and world. When I was a child growing up in Kentucky the people, both Christian and sinner would take their children to the Elders, when they had sickness, such as thrash, whooping cough, and burns, because they had confidence enough in the Elder and faith in Jesus (the only doctor they needed), and they were cured. It was done in Jesus and the Apostles days, and God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today and forever. Is any sick among you? Let him call for the Elders of the church; and let them pray over him, and the prayer of faith shall save the sick. For fear this letter is getting too lengthy. I just couldn't write a letter, without mentioning our children. Many letters have been written concerning what we can do for better relationship with them. There is nothing more beautiful, than to see a young man, or woman serving the Lord. Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them. The best thing, I could do for our children; is to live the way God has commanded me as an Elder, and when they come tired of living in sin, is always be ready to give a helping hand, but we must not lean to the right, or to the left, but straight forward, looking to Jesus who is the author and finisher of our faith. Teaching our children, that the church, and the world, is as much different as day and night, and the church doesn't belong to the world, but Jesus said, when you been born again, you are no more of the world. I would like to ask ever brother delegate, before he speaks, that we would search and try our ways, to see if it is the Lords way.

I pray the words that I have written with a pen, that I added nothing or took any thing out of the Bible, but have tried to stir up your pure minds by ways of remembrance. This was my first attempt to address you in a letter. The suffering that I have been through for the past year. I'm referring to my natural family, only God and his son Jesus Christ knows. As I have preached many times the clouds never got so dark and the storms so rough, that I couldn't see the sun shine of Jesus, and hear his voice saying son I went

through all the trial and sorrow. I'll never leave you, I'll never forsake you I'll be with you to the end, and when this life is over here on earth, there is a resting place until the general resurrection day, when both soul and body shall unite together, and go to heaven. God shall wipe away all tears from my eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, or pain; for the former things are passed away. May God bless ever one that reads this letter.

Written by
Elder David Slone

CONSTITUTION

OF THE NORTHERN SALEM ASSOCIATION WHEN ORGANIZED IN 1957

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 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.

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 members, 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.

ARTICLE 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace. "For by grace are ye saved through Faith."

Isa. 41:1, 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. 16:1-2.

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, Act 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

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

ARTICLE 2. The Association shall have a moderator, an 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 of imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

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 of appellation than that of "Brother."

ARTICLE 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt or prohibit any members from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of the 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 1983

APRIL

HOUSE OF PRAYER — First Saturday and Sunday in April. Baxter Osborne, Roger Hicks, Woody Pack, Jessie Viers, Forest Osborne, Jimmy Fields. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in June.

PLEASANT VIEW — First Saturday and Sunday in April. Paul McClanahan, Frank Newsome, Baxter Osborne, Ivan Amburgey, Covis Tackett, Ellis Amburgey, Karrel Addington. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in May.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second Saturday and Sunday in April. Anthony Hamilton, Buddy W. Carty, Jimmy Waddles, Hendrix Hampton, James Branham, Jimmy Hall, Danny Adams. Communion Time — Second Sunday in May.

LITTLE JEWELL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in April. Ivan J. Amburgey, Stony Blackburn, Tennis Sturgill, Elwood Cornett, Jim Fields. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in June.

MAY

ANTIOCH — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Eddie Tackett, Hiram Adkins, Colbert Bates, Roger Hicks, Buddy Carty, Ted Robinson. Communion Time — First Sunday in October.

MAGGIE'S HOME — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Hiram Adkins, Tom Thacker, Buddy Carty, David Slone, Robert Haney. Communion Time — First Sunday in July.

LITTLE IDA — First Saturday and Sunday in May. Buck Tuttle, Woodrow Pack, Baxter Osborne, Roy Caudill, Zee Holbrook, Rich Griffie, Junior Mosley, Urshel Huff. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in June.

LITTLE MEMORY — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Ralph Caudill, Johnny Hall, Ivan Amburgey, Melvin Watts, Paul Adkins, Stony Blackburn and moderator. Communion Time — Second Saturday and Sunday in June.

LITTLE RUTH — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. James Branham, Johnny Newsome, Teddy Robinson, Kenny Robinson, Joshua Hicks, Squire Hamilton. Communion Time — Second Sunday in June.

LITTLE ZION — Second Saturday and Sunday in May. Alex Collier, Jimmy Hall, Junior Damron, Danny Adams, Jene Johnson, J.C. Tackett, Ron Scott. Communion Time — Second Sunday in June.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Jimmie Dye, Milton Dye, Frank Cotton, Zee Holbrook, Bill Tackett, Jimmie Hall, Birbage Howell. Communion Time — Third Sunday in June.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Bill Dumber, Ron Scott, Abel Johnson, W.P. Deel, Doug McCarty, Bob Wallen, Jimmy Dale Sanders. Communion Time — Third Sunday in July.

MACEDONIA — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Alex Collier, Stony Blackburn, Hayes Chaffin, Ellis Amburgey, Baxter Osborne, Eales Cotton. Communion Time — Third Sunday in June.

MORNING STAR — Third Saturday and Sunday in May. Alex Collier, Junior Damron, Tennis Sturgill, Johnny Newsome, Karrell Addington. Communion Time — Third Sunday in June.

JUNE

LITTLE BETHEL — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Don Gibson, Elisha Branham, Paris Tackitt, Zee Holbrook, David Slone. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in July.

LITTLE FLOSSIE — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy Carty, Roy Caudill, Buford Brock, Hillard Newsome, Buck Tuttle, Earl Lawson, Charles Newsome, J.C. Sparks, Paul Adkins. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in July.

MT. ZION — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Buddy Carty, Hillard Newsome, Bill Collins, Claude Ousley, Roy Caudill, Amos Williams, Paris Tackitt. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in July.

LITTLY FAMILY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Hillard Newsome, Billie Miller, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Buford Brock, Teddy Robinson, Roger Hicks, James Tackett, Jimmie Dale Sanders. Communion Time — Second Saturday and Sunday in July.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. Bill Tackett, Lloyd Ray, Buck Tuttle, Frank Newsome, Covis Tackett, Bill Collins, Squire Hamilton, Zee Holbrook. Communion Time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE POLLY — Second Saturday and Sunday in June. James Branham, Buddy W. Carty, Earl Lawson, David Slone, Doug McCarty. Communion Time — Second Sunday in July.

LITTLE REBECCA — Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Paris Tackitt, Ivory Sowards, Teddy Robinson, Earl Lawson, Hillard Newsome, David Slone. Communion Time — Third Sunday in August.

FAMILY OF LOVE — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Teddy Robinson, Bill Collins, Ray Hamilton, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Paris Tackitt, Woody Pack, Hillard Newsome, Paul Adkins, George Mathews, Ivory Sowards. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in July.

LITTLE EDNA — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Johnie Bentley, Birbage Howell, Kenny Robinson, Covis Tackett, Doug McCarty, Teddy Robinson. Communion Time — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July.

MT. OLIVET — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Ron Scott, Ellis Amburgey, Zee Holbrook, James Branham, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Hillard Newsome, Paul Adkins. Communion Time — First Saturday and Sunday in July.

JULY

LITTLE FLOCK — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Ray Hamilton, Richard Griffith, Hobart Hamilton, Mike Cambell, Robert Haney, Roy Caudill. Communion Time — Third Sunday in August.

LITTLE ANGEL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in July. Able Johnson, Woodrow Dye, Bill Tackett, James Branham, Baxter Osborne, Ivory Sowards, George Mathews. Communion Time — Fourth Sunday in August.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS

LITTLE REBECCA — Third Saturday and Sunday in August. All ordained authorities welcome.

Brother Clenon Beverly Memorial — Third Sunday in May. Buddy Carty, Newt Vanderpool, Earl Lawson, Troy Beverly.

LITTLE JEWELL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in October. Ivan J. Amburgey, Paul McClanahan, Frank Newsome, Ralph Caudill.

MAGGIE'S HOME — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Bill Collins, Savel Combs, Anthony Hamilton, Okie Kent.

LITTLE POLLY — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. All Deceased. Everyone invited. Special memorial of Henry Poe, second September. All ministers are welcome.

MT. ZION — First Saturday and Sunday in September. All ordained authorities are invited.

LITTLE FLOCK — Third Saturday and Sunday in June. Ivory Sowards, Patrick Deel, Paris Tackitt, Hiram Adkins, Roger Dale Hicks, Willis Tolliver.

Marcum Memorial — Fifth Sunday in May. Sam Franks, Mike Cambell, Buddy W. Carty, Ivory Sowards, Paris Tackitt, Anthony Hamilton, Clifford Colley, Joshua Hicks.

LITTLE RUTH — Second Saturday and Sunday in July. Clifford Colley, Claude Ousley, Bill Collins, Paul Adkins, Hillard Newsome.

LITTLE MEMORY — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. All ministers welcome.

LITTLE EDNA — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. All orderly Old Regular Baptist ministers welcome.

LITTLE IDA — First Saturday and Sunday in July. Danny Adams, Buford Brock, Hendrix Hampton.

LITTLE FLOSSIE — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Sparkman memorial the third Sunday in September. Earl Lawson, Junior Mosley, Richard Griffith.

LITTLE ZION — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. Clifford Maynard, Thurman Akers, Ralph Caudill, Charles Newsome, Ivory Sowards.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME — Second Saturday and Sunday in August. All Regular Baptist ministers are invited.

MT. OLIVET — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. All Old Regular Baptist ministers invited.

PLEASANT VIEW — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Robert Haney, Earl Lawson, Tennis Sturgill.

LITTLE FAMILY — Second Saturday and Sunday in October. Delbert Sanders, Claude Ousley, Patrick Deal, Ivory Sowards, Buddy W. Carty.

LITTLE ANGEL — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in March. Buck Tuttle, Hillard Newsome, Paul Adkins, Buddy W. Carty.

ANTIOCH — First Saturday and Sunday in June. Home Preachers.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second Saturday and Sunday of October. Joshua Hicks, Don Lawson, Johnny Newsome, Earl Lawson, Offie Bartley.

LILLY OF THE VALLEY — First Saturday and Sunday in July. All ordained ministers invited in correspondence with the Northern New Salem Association.

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Third Saturday and Sunday in September. Ralph Caudill, James Branham, Larry Hankins, all Old Regular Baptist ministers of our same faith and order.

MORNING STAR — Third Saturday and Sunday in July. Ron Scott, Marvin Hall, Ray Hamilton, Stoney Blackburn, Charles Newsome.

LITTLE BETHEL — First Saturday and Sunday in September.

FAMILY OF LOVE — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in August. Jimmy Dye, Johnie Newsome, Squire Hamilton, James Branham.

HOUSE OF PRAYER — First Saturday and Sunday in November. Baxter Osborne, J.C. Tackett, Covis Tackett, Robert Haney, Jr. Mosley, Stoney Blackburn.

MACEDONIA — Third Saturday and Sunday in October. Stony Blackburn, Hayes Chaffin, Ellis Amburgey, Baxter Osborne, Eales Cotton, Alex Collier.

CHURCH ADDRESSES

Little Rebecca , Henry Road	Plymouth, Ohio
Little Jewell , 207 Wheatley	Ashland, Ky.
Maggie Home	Dundas, Ohio
Little Polly , 19545 Homer Road	Marshall, Mich.
Mt. Zion	McGuffey, Ohio
Little Flock , Route 1	Ray, Ohio
Little Ruth , Route 3	Marengo, Ohio
Little Memory	Sunman, Ind.
Little Edna , 5160 Bond Ave.	Lorain, Ohio
Little Ida , 4060 Drennen Street	Ecorse, Mich.
Little Flossie	Lisbon, Ind.
Little Zion , 53181 Romeo Plank Road	Romeo, Mich.
Little Pilgrim's Home , Highway 224	Ruggles, Ohio
Mt. Olivet , Route 1	Stockbridge, Mich.
Pleasant View , 3589 Beat Road	Litchfield, Ohio
Little Family , S.R. 744 - 1 mile West of Jacksonburg	Jacksonburg, Ohio
Little Angel , 5733 Saltgaber Road	Columbus, Ohio
Antioch , 1017 Barricks Road	Louisville Ky.
Rose of Sharon , 3744 Carlton Rockwood Road	Monroe, Mich.
Lilly of the Valley	Geneva, Ohio
Little Children's Home	Laurel, Ind.
Morning Star , 44441 Clay Road	Belleville, Mich.
Little Bethel , State Road 228	Greensprings, Ohio
Family of Love	Wyandotte, Ohio
House of Prayer	Dayton, Ohio
Macedonia	Grahn, Ky.

DELEGATES TO THE NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION, 1982

Little Rebecca	Savel Combs, Claude Ousley, Bill Collins
Little Jewell	Charles Craft, Euel Ratliff, Chester Allen
Maggie Home	John Mullins, Don Mullins, Harrison Runyon
Little Polly	Rayful Griffith, Andrew Damron, James Poe
Mt. Zion	Raleigh Ousley, Jim Gillian, Perry Williams
Little Flock	Okie Kent, Sam Franks, Joshua Hicks
Little Ruth	Webb Hopkins, James Curry, Kilby Deel
Little Memory	Clarence Jenkins, Bill Ison, Laurence Day
Little Edna	David Slone, Walter Parker, Elmer Edwards
Little Ida	Jackson Holbrook, Vivan Johnson, Ralph Caudill
Little Flossie	Carlie Tuttle, Morris Wicker, Birtchel Mosley, Jr.
Little Zion	Lacy Hale, Ermon Smiley, Otto Newsom
Little Pilgrim's Home ..	Robert Wallen, Birbage Howell, Charlie Hamilton
Mt. Olivet	Carl Ousley, Charles Newsome, Elmer Adams
Pleasant View	Stony Blackburn, Ezra Thornsberry, Omer Slone
Little Family	Hendricks Hampton, Marvin Potter, Jerome Watts, Jr.
Little Angel	Ballard Brown, Milton Dye, Delmar Swords
Antioch	Paul Adkins, Darrell Parks, Melvin Adams
Rose of Sharon	Doug McCarty, Ray Hamilton, Johnie Bentley
Lilly of the Valley	Chester Newsome, Squire Hamilton, Matt Sloan
Little Children's Home	Buford Brock, Zee Holbrook, Birtchel Short
Morning Star	Danny Adams, Bill Gilbert, Covis Tackett
Little Bethel	Frank Harvey, Wrie Tuttle, Raymond Gayhart
Family of Love	Buddy W. Carty, Donald Gibson, Clifford Bradly
House of Prayer	Ellis Amburgey, Troy Beverley, Pete Hensley
Macedonia	Burl Stevens, Orville Blevins

CHURCH MODERATORS

Little Rebecca	Claude Ousley
Little Jewell	Baxter Osborne
Maggie's Home	Paris C. Tackitt
Little Polly	Richard Griffith
Mt. Zion	Maynard Ratliff
Little Flock	Anthony Hamilton
Little Ruth	W.P. Deel
Little Memory	Baxter Osborne
Little Edna	Walter Parker
Little Ida	Walter Mullins
Little Flossie	Richard Griffith
Little Zion	Roy Hudson
Little Pilgrim's Home	Robert Wallen
Mt. Olivet	Richard Griffith
Pleasant View	Alex Collier
Little Family	Roy Caudill
Little Angel	Hiram Adkins
Antioch	Paul Adkins
Rose of Sharon	Ray Hamilton
Lilly of the Valley	Chester Newsome
Little Children's Home	Roy Caudill
Morning Star	Covis Tackett
Little Bethel	James Branham
Family of Love	Buddy W. Carty
House of Prayer	Melvin Watts
Macedonia	Burl Stevens

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	RECEIVED BY BAPTISM	RECEIVED BY LETTER	RECOMMENDATION	RESTORED	DISMISSED BY LETTER	EXCLUDED	DECEASED	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	MEETING TIME	CONTRIBUTIONS
Little Rebecca.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	80	3	\$ 185
Little Jewell.....	4	9	0	0	16	3	0	59	4	200
Maggie Home.....	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	50	1	100
Little Polly.....	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	24	2	70
Mt. Zion.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	1	60
Little Flock.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	35	3	100
Little Ruth.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	2	100
Little Memory.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	30	2	100
Little Edna.....	1	2	0	1	9	0	0	36	4	125
Little Ida.....	3	1	0	2	4	4	3	98	1	200
Little Flossie.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	31	1	100
Little Zion.....	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	62	2	150
Little Pilgrim's Home.....	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	28	2	85
Mt. Olivet.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	4	75
Pleasant View.....	14	0	0	0	4	1	0	99	1	250
Little Family.....	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	32	2	110
Little Angel.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	50	4	225
Antioch.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	47	1	180
Rose of Sharon.....	0	3	0	0	2	1	0	35	2	175
Lilly of the Valley.....	2	5	0	0	0	1	1	24	3	50
Little Children's Home.....	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	17	3	100
Morning Star.....	1	0	0	0	2	4	0	59	3	150
Little Bethel.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	1	100
Family of Love.....	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	28	4	100
House of Prayer.....	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	76	1	200
Macedonia.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	58	3	100

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 1982..... \$3,420

PICTURE MONEY..... 350

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS..... 30

GRAND TOTAL..... 38 31 0 4 48 23 15 1,135 \$3,800

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Little Flossie.....	Carlie Tuttle.....	Rt. 3, Kendallville, Ind. 46755.....	219-347-0361
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LETTER OF APPRECIATION TO ELDER BAXTER OSBORNE

Be it resolved that we the Northern New Salem Association, write a note of appreciation to Elder Baxter Osborne for his faithful and dedicated Service.

To this our beloved Brother and Elder in the gospel, we thank God for the leadership, advice and counsel he has given us from our organizing in 1957. May God grant him good health and many more prosperous years to labor in the vineyard of the Lord, all for the glory and honor of God.

Northern New Salem Association	Elder Claude Ousley Elder Ray Hamilton
Elder Paris Tackitt	Elder Roy Caudill
Elder Buddy W. Carty	Elder Hillard Newsome

LETTER OF SYMPATHY

Shall we pause to remember and express our deepest sympathy to the families and churches of two of our beloved Elders who have been removed from these walks of life, yet not from our memory. The late Elder Perry Slone of the Little Memory Church and Elder Clemon Beverly of the Little Rebecca Church. He was converted in 1938. Ordained to the ministry in 1960. These two now rest from their labor and their works follow them.

Your servants,
Elder Paris Tackitt
Elder Hillard Newsome

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO OUR SISTER THE UNION ASSOCIATION

To the delegates, members and officers of our sister the Union Association. We wish to express to you our deepest sympathy in the passing of the late Elder Johnny Clevinger.

May your loss be easier to bear in the memory of this Dear Brother, one who labored in the viewyard of the Lord here that he might be able to rein with him in glory.

Northern New Salem Association
Elder Paris Tackitt
Elder Hillard Newsome

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO OUR SISTER THE OLD FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION

We pause to express to you the officers, delegates and members of the Old Friendship Association our deep feelings of regret in the death of the late Elder Plennie Rowe. Shall we always remember the happy days we walked with him here as we wait for the morning we shall walk with him there.

Northern New Salem Association
Elder Paris C. Tackitt
Elder Hillard Newsome

OBITUARIES

ANNIE ADAMS

By the help of God I will try to write the obituary of Annie Adams. Annie was born August 20, 1892, to Jimmy and Polly (Cornett) Ison. She departed this life and entered her eternal rest May 15, 1982, making her stay her on God's foot stool 89 years and 9 months.

She was married to Squire Adams and to this union was born nine children. Her husband Squire and three sons, Hastle, Aster, and Arnold and one daughter, Goldie, preceded her in death.

She leaves to mourn her loss three sons, Evan Adams of Detroit, Mich., R.B. Adams of Wood Haven, Mich., Elmer Adams of Taylor, Mich., and two daughters, Vada Caudill of Louisville, Ky., and Lyda Burkhead of Louisville, Ky. She also leaves 18 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren and a host of friends.

Annie left a wonderful report behind, her children said they never seen Mother do anything out of the way, she was always loving and kind. But still she felt the need for a Saviour and I believe she met Jesus many years ago. She was baptized in 1964 and was a member of the Little Ida Old Regular Baptist Church at the time of her death.

She was sick for many years and you could tell in the last few years she wasn't satisfied, and I believe she was longing to reach her heavenly home. And I feel her soul is resting under the alter of God though her body is planted on a little point in Letcher County, Ky. But God is going to raise her up again in power and Glory. And in closing I would like to say to her family and friends if you want to go where Mother is gone you must be born again. Get in touch with Jesus. May God bless you all.



Written by her grandson and
brother in Christ
Brother Danny Adams

CLENON BEVERLY

With the help of the Lord, I am going to try and write this obituary of my father-in-law, Clenon Beverly. He was born on May 28, 1911 to Millard and Cora (Moore) Beverly, who both preceded him in death. Brother Clenon joined the Caney Fork Church on July 18, 1938. On December 17, 1960, he became an ordained minister of the



Old Regular Baptist faith. He was a faithful member of the Caney Fork Church as long as he lived in Kentucky; then he moved to Ohio. On September 16, 1961, he brought his letter to The Little Rebecca Church and he was a faithful member till his death on March 17, 1982.

He was united in marriage on July 21, 1934 to Bessie Slone. To this marriage were born seven boys and five girls; they are: Lon, Donald Ray, Ellis, Phillip and Phyllis all of Plymouth, Ohio; Landis of North Fairfield, Ohio; Carrol of Willard, Ohio; Jim, Willa Rachael and Lois Ball all of Mansfield, Ohio; Navonia Jordan of Ocala, Florida and Vanda Haymond of Shiloh, Ohio. They all loved him and miss his loving presence. The family circle has been broken. The home that he lived in is not the same anymore, but our loss is Heaven's gain. Also left to miss him is 38 grandchildren, five great grandchildren who all loved him. Other survivors include five brothers, Cledis and Clyde of Kentucky; Forrest and J.C. of Dayton, Ohio and Troy of Fairborn, Ohio; three sisters, Beulah Prater and Beatrice Potter of Kentucky and Hazel Daugherty of Cincinnati, Ohio. He was preceded in death by five brothers: Ed, Hiram, Tivis, Vernis and Hawley also one grandson and one great grandson.

Sleep on Brother Clenon. I feel with all my heart that we'll meet again. I feel that you have gone to a better land where you'll never be sick and that blessed heart will never give you anymore pain. Bless that morning when the Lord will come and gather his Children and take them home with Him. Brother Clenon, believed in the old time way. Sleep on Brother Clenon, I feel with all my heart we will meet again in that Heavenly land. Brother Clenon had three sons, Lon, Landis and Phillip and two daughter-in-laws Anetta and Dottie who had walked by his side. They all belong to The Little Rebecca Church. His funeral was conducted at The Little Rebecca Church at Plymouth, Ohio and burial was in the Maple Grove Cemetery at New Haven, Ohio.

Sister Dottie Beverly

GOLDA PIGMAN BRADLEY

It is with much sadness and grief, but very fond memories, we will write an obituary of our dear sister, Golda Pigman Bradley. The daughter of the late Mallie and Mary Slone Pigman, she was born September 2, 1908 at Dema, Kentucky and died October 17, 1980 at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, Kentucky.

On March 31, 1925 she was married to Alonzo Bradley. She leaves to mourn her passing three sons, Clyde Bradley, Clifford Bradley, and Dingus Bradley and two daughters, Clerinda Lucas and Joyce Bishop, three brothers, Dingus Pigman, John B. Pigman and Leroy Pigman, four sisters, Rita Watts, Ena Mills, Francis Banks and Jean Lafferty, 29 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends. A son and a daughter preceded her in death. Her husband Alonzo Bradley died October 24, 1980.

Golda joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized on October 19, 1958. She was a devoted faithful member of the Caney Fork Church, Raven, Kentucky for 22 years. She attended church as long as she was able. She was in ill health the last year. Death is the greatest sorrow of ones heart, but God knows best. He needed another flower for his garden so he took her home. She is peacefully sleeping, resting at last. The world's weary trouble and trials are past. In silence she suffered, in patience she bore til God called her home to suffer no more. She was taken her long journey on that beautiful ship called rest away from this earthly temple to a home of eternal rest.

Gone and forgotten by some you may be. To others a part of the past. To us a silent thought, a secret tear keeps her memory ever dear. We think of her as one who sleeps all free from grief and pain, and know the happy day will come when we shall meet again.

Written by her sisters,
Rita Watts, Ena Mills, and Francis Banks



BEN BROWN

It is with an aching and lonely heart, but by the help of my Dear Lord, I will try to write an obituary of my beloved husband Ben Brown.

He was born February 8, 1917, deceased this life November 12, 1981. Was the son of Maylon and Polly Ann (Craft) Brown. Ben and I were married July 21, 1945. God blessed us to have two wonderful children. Gary Brown of Bellville, Ohio and Charlotte Jean (Brown) Aker of Wise, Virginia. Ben was formerly from Letcher County, Kentucky.

Ben was a honest God fearing man, wonderful husband and father. Although he didn't join any local church, he loved to go to church, to hear the gospel preached and old time hymns sung. He especially loved to attend the Pleasant View church at Litchfield, Ohio. He loved the brothers and sisters of the church. I believe Ben had made peace with the Lord. Some sweet day, by the tender Mercy of God, I will meet him around the Great White Throne of God. Ben was so worried about me, after I had the open heart surgery, we thought I would be the one to go HOME first but God knew best and does all things well. So He took my husband first with a heart attack.

I would especially like to thank Brother Alex Collier and Brother J.E. Tolliver for their kindness during the funeral. For the comforting words they spoke. Thanks to all who remembered me and my family at such a sad time.

*The lights are out,
In the mansion of clay,
The curtains are drawn,
For the dweller away,
He silently slipped o'er
the threshold by night,
To make his abode,
In the City of Light.*

Written by his wife,
Helen (Horne) Brown
Bellville, Ohio

VIRGIL CAUDILL

By the help of "GOD" I will try to write a short obituary of my dear Brother Virgil Caudill. He was the son of Elder Wesley Caudill and Millie Caudill. He was born October 30, 1911, died December 1, 1981, making his stay on this earth, 70 years, 1 month and 1 day. He was born into a family of fourteen, seven brothers and six sisters. Five brothers and two sisters, Mother and Father preceded him in death, leaving two brothers still living, Elder Roy Caudill and Lee Caudill, four sisters, Lula Caudill, Stella Hampton, Nora Fields and Bertha Anderson.

In early life, he met and married Renavae Dixon on June 2, 1935, making their life together over 46 years. Their wedding vows were kept until death separated them. To this union was born 3 sons, Philip R. Caudill, Coleman D. Caudill and Billy V. Caudill. At the time of his passing, he leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, three sons, seven grandchildren and one great grandchild, three lovely daughters-in-law, plus many friends to mourn his loss.



Brother Virgil Caudill taught school for ten years and also worked for Sears Roebuck & Co. for twenty-five years, and retired from Sears. Brother Virgil joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1953 and was baptised by the late Elder Dewey Sexton and Elder Roy B. Akers. For many years he went over the country with Brother Akers.

When in his last years, he was very sick and asked the church to take his name off the Church Book, only God knows why? But we feel he met the Judge of all Judges, who will do all men right. I want to say to his children and grandchildren, if you have never started to make Heaven your home, would you leave the field of sin, repent and be born again so you can go to Heaven when you die. The Brethern in his funeral are the one's, he loved to hear so well.

Children, take care of your Mother, she needs you more now than ever. May God bless the Antioch Church, he loved it so good. The Pallbearers will be his sons and grandson.

Written by Elder Roy Caudill

VERLILLIE CANTRELL

I hope the Lord will guide me as I now attempt to fill the request of the family of a dearly beloved sister in Christ.

Verlillie Cantrell was born January 4, 1903, deceased July 27, 1981, making her stay on earth 77 years, 6 months and 25 days. She was the daughter of Henry and Rebecca King, both deceased. She was married to Drew Cantrell in the year 1932. To this union no children were born. She had one son, James King, before she was married to Drew.

She joined Little Ruth Church of Old Regular Baptist October 14, 1962 and was baptized by the hands of Elder Claude Ousley and Elder Wm.P. Deel. She was such a dear sister and we loved her so.

She leaves her husband Drew, her only son, James, her daughter-in-law, Nancy and three grandchildren and one great grandchild. She also leaves one brother, John M. King of Marysville, Ohio, and one sister, Polly Ann Conley of Johnson County, Kentucky, along with the brothers and sisters of the Little Ruth Church and many friends to mourn her loss but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

I want to say to all her loved ones who don't know God in the pardon and remission of sin if you want to meet her in heaven, you must be born again.



Written by Elder Wm.P. Deel
and
Sister Flossie Deel

ROGER D. CHARLES

With the utmost sadness and grief, it is my appointed duty to write an obituary of my brother-in-law, Roger David Charles. He was born July 8, 1953, and departed this life, on December 4, 1981, making his stay 28 years, 4 months and 26 days. He is proceeded in death by one sister, Mildred Marie Charles, survived by his father and mother Ed and Reable (Adkins) Charles and one sister, Linda (Charles) Rumbold, and one brother-in-law, Robert Rumbold. His parents are formerly from Pike County, Kentucky.

Roger Charles's life was one of many trials and tribulations; poor health as a child, and physical deterioration throughout the remainder of his life.

Although Roger knew that his life was limited, he faced each day, with courage, regardless that he was filled with pain and suffering. However, Roger was also lucky, for he had a good family, who showed and gave him LOVE. A love, which knew no bounds. A love without reservation. Roger was also fortunate in the fact that he was raised in a Christian family, and he was taught of the existence and ways of God.

Perhaps it was the teachings of his mother and father, that directed Roger to seek his Creator just before he died. He was able to make PEACE with God, and is now at HOME in HEAVEN.

The legacy Roger leaves us is that we must not mourn, for Roger did not like sadness and it was God's choice to take him when he did. Roger is now free from pain and suffering, and is now in Eternal Peace with our God in Heaven. Roger was buried in the Greenlawn Memorial Gards, Akron, Ohio.

Perhaps we can see Roger's life and passing away in the words of the Author Dante, who wrote:

"So just as a good mariner when he draws near to the harbour, lets down his sail and enters it gently with slight headway on; so we ought to let down the sail of our wordly pursuits, and turn to God with our understanding and heart, so that we may come to that haven with all composure and with all peace. And our own nature gives us a good lesson in gentleness, in so far as there is in such a death no pain, nor any bitterness; but as a ripe apple lightly and without violence detaches itself from its bough, so our soul severs itself without suffering, from the body where it has dwelt."

.....Rest well, Roger.

.....Rest well, Brother

Sadly missed by,
His parents, Ed and Reable
Charles
Sister, Linda and Robert Rumbold



MAUDIE CONLEY

My beloved is gone down into His garden to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens and to gather lilies.

Maudie was a beautiful flower that was born to the late Tivis and Jane (Gayheart) Bolen, June 7, 1901, in Knott County Kentucky. She left these earthly shores June 1, 1982, at Hardin Memorial Hospital at Kenton, Ohio, making her stay here on earth 80 years, 11 months and 26 days.

Man that is born of a woman is but few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow and continueth not.

She met and married Tandy Conley in the year of 1920 and to this union was born ten children, five sons and five daughters. Brother Tandy left her a widow in 1957, but left her and the children a great light hanging in the window and the place where he crossed over, well marked. Three sons also preceded her in death and five brothers and two sisters. Only one brother survives, Kendall Bolen of Mousie, Kentucky. Also to mourn her loss are seven bereaved children: Edward Conley of Know, Indiana; Birchel Conley of Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. Barney (Audrey) Shields; Mrs. Charles (Mary) Howard; Mrs. Hillard (Halie) Nickels; and Miss Carol Conley, all of McGuffy, Ohio, and Mrs. Robert (Luna) Jennings of Michigan, 20 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren, the Mt. Zion Church and many friends and neighbors.

I feel privileged and enriched by being acquainted with these two people. They helped more of their Kentucky neighbors and mountain people than anyone in this country that I know of. They kept them in their home until they got a job and enough money to get out on their own. They were truly hospitable.

Brother Tandy got one of his legs cut off above the knee in an auto accident and the coal companies would no longer let him work in the mines. He didn't receive any compensation for his injury and having no other means of support and no education, he didn't wallow in self pity and poverty, but by having a great faith in God he moved out on that faith and came to Ohio in the early 40's, and got a job on the railroad. God blessed them to raise their children in dignity. These two people had integrity, which is very scarce these days.

They never forgot their heritage, but every time they could get enough Old Regular Baptists together, they would have church in their home and in the early 50's there were enough members to organized a church. They gave the lot where the Mt. Zion Church is built and first hundred dollars on the building. Maudie continued to cook and take care of the congregation as long as she was reasonably able.

Even though Maudie didn't profess to be worthy of the Church, she still had enough respect for her husband and the Church not to bring any dishonor



upon them. Her appearance and dress was according to the Scriptures "As a woman professing Godliness". Surely she fed God's little ones that believed in Him. She took them in when they were strangers, she clothed them, she ministered unto them when they were sick, and Jesus said, "As oft as you do this, You do it also unto Me".

I rejoiced when I heard you tell how fervently and sincerely you had heard her pray and that you felt that the Lord heard her prayer and enrolled her name on the Lamb's book of life, and had called her to take that peaceful sleep and rest with Him until the resurrection.

I love all of you children, and Jesus loves you too. He doesn't want you to go down to that lake that burns with fire and brimstone, where the worm never dies and the fire is never quenched. If you get Jesus in this life you can go to Heaven, "where no orphan children cry for bread, no weeping widows toil nor struggle, no shrouds and caskets and no dead" and you can have Him, if you will lay down your silly pride and follow Him.

When there is sadness, there is joy in Jesus; when there is death, there is life in Him. He came so that we might have life and have it more abundantly in Him. If you really want to live, get Jesus. He is a present help in time of trouble and will stick closer than a brother.

I hope you children will never forget Daddy's prayers and counsel, the way he lived and died. I know, Carol, you were very young, but don't forget Mama's prayers, most of all, don't forget their God. He will be your God if you come to Him in faith believing. Remember, we will all have to stand before the judgment bar of Christ for ourselves and give an account of the deeds done in the body, whether they be good, or whether they be evil, and everyone will receive a just recompense of reward.

Make your peace now, for we have no promise of tomorrow.

May the peace of the Lord be upon the Conley family throughout this life, and I trust in the life to come, is the prayer of your unworthy servant, in Jesus' name.

Written by request,
Elder Joshua Hicks

J. B. CRASE

By request, I shall endeavor to write an obituary of a dear Brother in Christ to wit: Brother J.B. Crase. On October 12, 1905 he was born into the home of Raleigh Crase and Sally (Callahan) Crase of Letcher County, Kentucky. Here he grew into manhood and in early life he wed a fine young lady of his native county, Louana Day. They left the lovely hills of Eastern, Kentucky for employment and came to Charlestown, Indiana. They remained faithful to each other until death separated them around twelve years ago. They raised their family of five boys and six girls in Charlestown, Indiana. The sons that survive are: Dauphus Crase, Jeffersonville, Indiana, Car Crase, Lawrenceburg, Indiana and Dr. Charles E. Crase of Stanford, Kentucky. The daughters are: Lola Whitaker, Glenwood, Indiana, Willa St. John, Ruth Meador and Francine Baker all of Charlestown, Indiana, Lou Kelly of Springfield, Illinois and one daughter preceded him in death, the late Lena Compton of Dayton, Ohio.

On June 2, 1972 Brother Bee was married to Sister Hazel Hogg, who is left to mourn the loss of a dear faithful husband. They were blessed with ten years of happiness, until separated by his death on June 29, 1982. Brother Bee was blessed to life upon God's good earth 76 years, 8 months, and 17 days, bringing much happiness and joy to those he was with. He is also survived by two stepsons, Joel and J. P. and one stepdaughter, Peggy. Three brothers: Ellis, Issac and Henry, two sisters: Laura and Eurilla, all who I am sure will have sweet memories of him.

Around 42 years ago Brother Bee gave his hand to become a member of The Old Regular Baptist Church. Being baptised by the hands of Elder Andy Bates. For all these years he never failed to let the world know him as an Old Time Baptist. Ever letting his light shine, never bringing shame on the Old Church. Brother Bee was the same everyday, he wore one coat and proved to the world that he had salvation.

A few days before Brother Bee went into the hospital for surgery. Brother Paul and I had a wonderful visit with him. It gave us strength in these trouble times to hear this Old Brother talk of the church, and the goodness of the Lord. Assuring us that he was ready to go home when God called. One never left Brother Bee and Sister Hazel's home but what you had something to eat. Often he would want singing and prayer. A very humble and gentle Brother.

We the Antioch Church have given up a dear faithful Brother. One whom we loved and enjoyed his presence in our little place of worship.

To you his loved one's, if you ever see Brother Bee again, you must be born again and live a life that is different from the world. He bore the fruits of a child of God and left the light in the window. You all would do well to walk in his footsteps.

Your humble servant,
Brother Hillard Newsome

A Prayer for You

*I said a prayer for you today
And I know God must have
heard
I felt the answer in my heart
Although he spoke no word
I didn't ask for Wealth or Fame
I know you wouldn't mind
I asked him for Treasures
Of a far more lasting kind
I asked that he be near you
At the start of each new day
To grant you Health and
Happiness
And Friends share your way
I asked for Happiness for you
In all things great and small
But it was for his loving care
I prayed the most of all*

Written by his wife,
Sister Hazel (Hogg) Crase

EDNA M. DIXON

I am writing this obituary of my Mother, Edna M. Dixon, hoping it will be acceptable to Dad and the rest of the family. Mom was born in McGoffin County, Kentucky on March 15, 1917, to James and Nancy (Combs) Holliday, and departed this life on November 6, 1981.

She leaves to mourn her loss five sons and one daughter, all in Indiana; Steve of Brimfield, Lee of Swan, Larry and Glenn of Kendallville, and Ryan and Dana Homister of Wawaka. Three sons died as infants. Also three brothers, Archie, James, and Kiser Holliday of Rome City, Indiana. Two sisters Elsie Messer of Rome City and Wilma J. Johnson of Kendallville, Indiana. Also surviving are 22 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Mom joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1951, at the Little Home Church in Kentucky, moving her letter to the Little Flossie Church in Kendallville, Indiana.

She loved this old Church and the old time shouting meetings, drawing strength and encouragement to strive forward even with the Parkinson's Disease which held her bound for about twenty years.

A few months after Mom died, I dreamed twice that I was at a church meeting in the upstairs room of a home, and as I was going around shaking hands and hugging my brothers and sisters, a hand was placed on my shoulder and a voice said, "Here is someone I want you to meet", and I turned and there was Mom with the prettiest smile I have ever seen.

To Dad who labored so many years raising his children and taking care of Mom, and those who long to see Mom again, I believe with all my heart that they must be born again to reach that better country where there will be no more parting.



Written by her son and brother
in hope,
Larry Dixon

BETTIE ELDRIDGE

Bettie Eldridge was born May 28, 1891 and died May 31, 1982, making her stay here on earth 91 years and 2 days. She was married to Leander Eldridge for 54 years who preceded her in death. She was a member of Dixon Memorial Regular Baptist Church. She belonged to the church for about 56 years, and served about 34 years as deacon in the church. Left to mourn her death are nine children, five boys and four girls. The boys are Henry Eldridge of Waynesburg, Kentucky; Howard Eldridge of Hodgenville, Kentucky; Willie Eldridge of Blackey, Kentucky; Lloyd Eldridge of Sunman, Indiana; and Astor Eldridge of Medway, Ohio. The girls are Eva Back, Ethel Dixon, Elma Caudill, all of Blackey, Kentucky, Arlie Vanover of Waynesburg, Kentucky, one foster daughter, Margaret Eldridge of Frankfort, Kentucky.

Mama was a good Christian mother. She always told us children to get right with God and be ready to go and live with him on that bright and shining shore. I feel like Mama has gone to sleep in the arms of Jesus. So sleep on Mama, I feel like I'll see you again over there with the good Lord.

Written by a broken hearted son,
Astor Eldridge

MELVIN GRIFFITH



It is with sadness and an aching heart, by the help of Arlene and the blessed Lord, I will try to write an obituary of my beloved sweet Brother, Melvin Griffith, Hueysville, Kentucky. He was born to our parents, Elbert and Rosie Griffith, Pyramid, Kentucky, July 20, 1928, and departed this life to receive his reward on January 9, 1980. God blessed Brother to live 51 years, 9 days. He has left many memories for us to remember him by. Brother first married my sister-in-law, Helen Owns. To this union one child was born, Mrs. Marietta Thornsbury, Garrette, Kentucky. Later he married my other sister-in-law, Arlene Slone. To this union 8 children were born, five sons, three daughters, Mrs. Linda Wiseman, Roundhead, Ohio. Also his son Bud, Roundhead, Ohio. Jackie, Timothy, Adrin, Hueysville, Kentucky. Brother raised one stepdaughter, two stepsons. Their names are Zella, Elmer and Zizie Slone. Brother has one daughter and one infant son who died many years ago along with our Mother. Ten infant sisters and brothers, one grandchild, one niece, Betty Louis, her dad, Julain McKee preceded him in death. Brother and his wife, Arlene were baptized in the year 1958. They had their membership in the Old United Baptist Church. Surviving here on earth is my

sister-in-law, Helen, my niece, Marrietta, her two daughters and one son. Our beloved Dad and stepmother, Christena, three half brothers, Arnold, Douglas and Jerry, one half sister, Angela Marie, six sisters, Carrie, Sally, Marcella, Anna Mae, Nancy and me, Magalene Moore, and his wife, Arlene, three daughters and four sons, 19 grandchildren and 11 nieces, 16 nephews, 3 stepchildren and a host of relatives to mourn his loss. Both of my sister-in-laws and their children are so close, just like one big happy family. I love them all and they all sure show their love toward me. There wasn't anything in brother's way except his children and loved ones he had to leave behind. He wanted all of them to go home and live with him. Brother had a sweet tender loving voice. We can't hear him speak to us any more or his arms to hold us so voice. We can't hear him speak to us any more or his arms to hold us so tight.

Brother Woodrow never left Melvin's bedside in the hospital. He told me that Brother talked to him until death came and took his breath away. To Brother's companion, Arlene, I feel you are on your way to meet Brother in Heaven. I know you and the children are lonesome here on earth. May God be with you all through your lonesome hours. I believe Brother will wear that long white robe he talked so much about. I loved him so much it just seems like a dream he is gone and I can't see him any more when I go back down home. I believe when I have to leave this old troublesome world I will meet my mother and brother over in that happy home, where we won't have to part any more. There won't be any sickness or sorrow up in Heaven. Just peace and love forevermore children and loved ones. Those that haven't made peace with God fall out with sin. Ask your blessed Saviour to let you come in, the door is always open. Brother will be there to welcome us all home.

Written by his broken hearted
Sister, Magaline Moore
God Bless You All

MARTIN HALE

It is with much sadness that I will try to write an obituary of my husband, Martin Hale. He was born February 26, 1913, in Magoffin County, Kentucky, the son of Jenny Bell and Jessie Hale.

He was married to Lora Combs Hale on November 1, 1936. From this union were born two children. One son who preceded him in death in 1980, and one daughter who is living. He is survived by his wife, Lora Hale, one daughter, Myrtle Shepherd, three granddaughters, two grandsons, three greatgrandsons, and a host of nieces and nephews. He was much loved by all of them and is missed very much. By the help of the good Lord, we will meet in Heaven again one day. The last words he spoke were "Thank you good Lord God for everything".



Written by his wife, Lora Hale,
and granddaughter, Toni
Shepherd

ELLA MAE HALL

With much sadness in my heart, I will try to write an obituary of my beloved wife, Ella Mae Hall, born March 26, 1920. She departed from this life November 19, 1981, making her stay on earth 61 years, 7 months and 24 days.

She was the daughter of the late Willie J. Mullins and Cora Elkins Mullins. In early life she was married to Milford Hall. She was a member of The Dorton General Baptist Church.

Other than her husband, Milford, she leaves to mourn three sons, Rev. Danny Hall of Dorton, Kentucky, Gary Hall of Louisville, Kentucky, Terry of Myra, Kentucky; one daughter, Brenda Gail Hall of Myra, Kentucky; two stepdaughters, Glenda Faye Hall of Lincoln Park, Michigan, Cora Ellen Adkins of Taylor, Michigan; four grandchildren, three sisters; Belle Potter of Dorton, Kentucky, Hazel and Bessie Baker, both of Myra, Kentucky, a host of friends and relatives survive.

Two years before she passed away, she had a stroke, she couldn't walk and a very few words she could speak. She was in the hospital three months at Pikeville and Lexington, Kentucky. She was so happy to be home again and be with her family. People came to see her many times and she would cry because she could not talk to them. I comforted her the best I could.

I will always remember the love she had for her children and grandchildren. She loved her neighbors and friends in the Myra and Dorton areas. They miss her happy smiles very much.

Songs she loved so much were Bringing In the Sheaves, this song was in the closing of her funeral, she also loved Amazing Grace.

In God's Happy Kingdom, she won't need a wheelchair anymore, no more suffering in the Land of Happiness with Jesus forever. Brenda, God will reward you for the faithful care, you waited on your mother the last two years of her life, day and night.

Bless you children if any of you have not made peace with God, don't wait to late as time is drifting by. To see your mother again you must be born again.

*A few more seasons may come
Little birds will sing at dawn
Time will pass away
She will rise on that morning*



Written by her broken hearted
husband, Milford Hall

We the family of Ella Mae Hall, would like to take this opportunity to

thank all our friends and neighbors who sent flowers and food, cards and the kind words of comfort, from all the Baptist Ministers and to R.S. Jones & son Funeral Home for excellent service.

God Bless You
The Family of Ella Mae Hall

ELIZABETH HYLTON

It is with a sad and aching heart but precious memories, that I will try by the help of the Lord, to write an obituary of our dearest mother, Elizabeth Hylton.

Mommie was born in Pike County, Kentucky, January 14, 1896, deceased this life March 23, 1982, making her stay on earth 86 years, 2 months and 14 days.

Mommie was the daughter of the late Levi and Mary Ellen Adkins Bentley. Mommie married Dad, Willie Hylton, May 30, 1918. He preceded her in death, April 19, 1965. To this union was born nine children, two children died at infancy. Mommie has seven children still living, five sons and two daughters. She also leaves 50 grandchildren and 125 great grandchildren and many friends and relatives to mourn her loss.

Mommie joined the Old Regular Baptist Church at Rockhouse, November 20, 1932 and had her membership there. She was baptized by Brother John A. Damron. Mommie loved to go to church and she filled her seat as long as she was able to go. Mommie was sick for about a year and a half and she wasn't able to go to church much, but she talked to us children about the good Lord, and tried to get us to go to church and live for the Lord as she did for nearly 50 years. The good Lord blessed Mommie to live long enough to see three of her children turn to the Lord. Two joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and one joined the Freewill Baptist Church.

I would like to say to the rest of the children, if you ever want to see Mommie again, you will have to fall out with sin and be born again in Christ our Lord and take the same road Mommie took. We believe with all our hearts Mommie is at rest with Sweet Jesus where she won't have to suffer anymore pain. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by her son and brother
in hope, Brother George Hylton
Youngstown, Ohio



NOAH IRICK

Mr. Noah Irick was born son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Irick of Pike County, Kentucky on April 6, 1917.

He served his country during World War II and after being discharged, he made his home in Michigan. He was employed by Firestone, Chrysler Corp., and McClouth Steel Corp. He is survived by his wife, Mary, two daughters, Jean Kersey of Pensicola, Florida and Pat Cravly of Seminole, Alabama. He is also survived by four grandchildren and by one great grandchild. He also leaves three sisters; Myrtle Tibbs of Pikeville, Kentucky; Mirel Elswick of Wyandotte, Michigan; and Nola Telfer of Silver Springs, Maryland.

Mr. Irick passed away on February 26, 1982, after a brief illness. He was a very kind and loving person who will be missed by all.



Written by his family

I would like to say a few words about Noah. Mary told me that before Noah died he had assured her that there was nothing standing between him and God. Also the feeling that I had during the funeral makes me feel that I will meet Noah in heaven. And let me say to his children and family, if you want to go to heaven when this life is over make peace with Jesus while you have time and opportunity, after death it is to late. May God bless all of you.

Elder Ray Hamilton

HERMAN JOHNSON

It is with much sadness that I attempt to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Herman Johnson.

Herman was born June 15, 1916, at Wecksbury, Kentucky, the son of the late Joe and Lydia (Childers) Johnson.

Preceding Herman in death were two brothers, Steve and Gardner, and two sisters, Zettie and Nannie.

Herman and I were married August 4, 1934, at Halo, Kentucky. Unto this union two children were born, Bobby of Salisbury, Maryland, and Emma Lee of Chesapeake, Ohio.

Besides his two children and widow, there are three brothers: Joe, Basker, and David; two sisters: Zilla and Lillie; and seven grandchildren left to mourn his loss.

While Herman had been ill for several years, he rarely complained and continued to work until July, 1975. At this time he was forced into retirement from the labors of a steady job. He, however, continued to work in and

around his home attempting to make everyone who came to visit feel comfortable and welcome.

Although Herman was not a member of a church, he spent many hours praying and has left a hope of eternal life.

While we bid your physical body goodbye, Herman, we know that it is possible for all of us to be united in a kingdom that has been prepared by the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. With the assured knowledge of salvation, I hope to meet you in Heaven.

Written by his beloved wife,
Manervia (Breeding) Johnson

OPIE JUDE

With a sad heart but loving memories, I will try to write an obituary of my brother, Opie Jude, who was born at Kermit, West Virginia on July 2, 1910. A son of the late John and Kizzie Belle Bowen Jude.

He was a deacon in the Macedonia Church.

He is survived by his wife, Alaphare Estep Jude, two sons, Jerry Jude of Bluefield, West Virginia and Gary Jude of Grayson, Kentucky; one daughter, Mrs. Danny (Brenda) Enlow of Columbus, Ohio; one brother, Raymond Jude of Yaeger, West Virginia; two sisters, Mrs. Oliver Harris of Freeburn, Kentucky and Mrs. B.B. Bessie Stevens of Ashland, Kentucky.

Many relatives and friends to mourn his loss. We believe by the life he lived that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by his sister,
Bessie Stevens



LESTON JUSTICE

ROMANS 8:14 — For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

We will try by God's infinite mercies to write the obituary of Leston Justice, requested by his brother, Jay Justice.

Leston was born December 20, 1897 to Will and Lou Lissie (Farmer) Justice, at Pikeville, Kentucky, and deceased this life December 29, 1980, making his stay here 83 years, 9 days. His father and mother preceded him in death, also five brothers passed before he did. Early in life he met and married Josie (France) Justice, and to this union were born two sons: James Foster Justice, Pikeville, Kentucky, and Larry Justice Pikeville, Kentucky; and one daughter, Audrey Justice Ecorse, Mich. at home.

Leaves to mourn his wife Josie Justice, his children, five grandchildren, one sister, Manda (Justice) Rose, Virgie, Kentucky; four brothers, Jay Justice, River Rouge, Michigan, Walter Justice, Dick Justice, Charley Justice, all of Pikeville, Kentucky.

Leston always attended the Little Ida Church regularly, until loss of eye sight, and his unsure steps kept him at home. He knew the way and told this writer he had a hope of a better place to go to. He helped build the Little Ida Church from its foundation, and loved to come and be among the brothers and sisters. He never joined the church, but if he was led by the Spirit, then he will be one of God's redeemed in that day. Now he is resting, then in the great day of Redemption he'll answer the Call, to go be with God's children, that Hope made manifest in life eternal to die no more. To his loved ones left behind, get yourselves ready, that you may be among God's children when parting will come no more.



Your servants in Christ eternal
Brother Ralph Caudill
Sister Leona Caudill

BERTHA JOHNSON

*I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills.
From whence cometh my help? My help
cometh from the Lord, who made Heaven
and Earth.*

Psalms

121-1-2

We will try in humbleness by request of the family to write the obituary of our beloved sister, Bertha Johnson.

Bertha was born into this life February 5, 1904, to the late J.D. and Amanda (Tackett) Hamilton, Pike County, Kentucky. Departed this life December 21, 1981 in the Wyandotte Hospital, Wyandotte, Michigan. Bertha was blessed to spend 77 years, 10 months and 16 days on this earth, God's footstool.

On July 15, 1922, she married Jack Johnson and to this union God gave five children, four daughters: Mrs. Dexter Mullins, Southgate, Michigan; Mrs. Anna Ramm, Centerville, Ohio; Clara Ellen Johnson, who resided with her mother in Southgate, Michigan; and one son, Omar Johnson of Grosse Ile, Michigan. One daughter, Lucille, preceeded her in death at a young age. Also leaving behind eight lovely grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Matilda Moore, Virgie, Kentucky.

Bertha saw her need of the Saviour and on April 15, 1962 was baptized into the Little Ida Church and led a sincere Christian life til God called her home. When time came she could no longer attend church, the brothers and sisters would go to her humble home where we were always welcomed, and always before we would leave, songs and prayer would be her request with re-joining to her God for his mercies to her. When death made the call, we feel she answered with a true conscience, and her soul is at rest beyond this veil of tears. With no more pain, only joy and rest til that great day arrives.

To the children: While here, you saw to her many wishes and foods you thought possible she could eat. But on that day, as one of God's chosen children, our Lord will set a table where she can feast in a life eternally with joy and peace in Christ, Jesus. Children, ready yourselves that you to may be in the unbroken band on Heaven's shores, where all is joy and peace.

Her final resting place will be the Michigan Memorial Park, Flatrock, Michigan.



Written by your unworthy
servants,
Ralph and Leona Caudill

LUTHER KEETON

As we sit here I pray that the Lord will guide us to write this obituary in memory and honor of a dear beloved brother and deacon.

Brother Keeton was born into the home of Riley Keeton and Sissy Rudd on August 29, 1908 in a little home on Johnson's Fork in Magoffin County, Kentucky. And on March 2, 1980 the Lord seen fit to call him to his brand new home in Heaven. I'm sure he is enjoying the good pleasures from Mother Jerusalem's table. In early life Brother Keeton married a very lovely woman, Nannel Lee McCarty on December 28, 1927 and to this union was born four children; Marie Burris, Charles Keeton, Herman Keeton and Cleda Ashby. He had 13 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. He has one brother still living, Dewy Keeton. I know they all miss Brother Keeton but they can all go see him some day. Because a way was made a long time ago when Christ died on the Cross. In the early 1940's Brother Keeton moved his family from Kentucky to Indiana, he was a farmer and worked hard to raise his family. He lost one of his hands in a corn picker but that didn't stop him, he still worked on his farm. One day in the 1950's Brother Keeton saw the need for a Savior. He started looking for a church. He had gone to several different ones but they didn't have what he was looking for. Then one day someone told him about Little Memory Church. He came to church and knew it had what he wanted. So he and his wife joined hand in hand and became members of this old blood washed band. They were baptized by Elder Sollie Miller, Sr., and Elder Roy B. Akers. They lived their lives and proved themselves to the church and they set Brother Keeton aside to be ordained as a deacon. He served the church as a faithful deacon until he became ill and could no longer drive. Brother Keeton was a true deacon if anyone was sick or in need he made sure they got what they needed. Many a night he and his good wife would come to my father-in-laws house and sit up with him. They were there the day dad had to go to the hospital. They came by our house and told us what dad had said. Brother Keeton said I won't see him no more down here but I will meet him in Heaven some day. Brother Keeton said he told us goodbye for now and he never said that before. When we lost Brother Keeton we lost a wonderful Brother. But now he is at rest. He suffered a long time here. But where he is there is no more suffering. He now has two good hands and the breath to sing with the Angels. May God Bless all of his family.



Humbly your Brother and Sister
in Christ,
Brother Sollie Jr. and Sister
Georgia Miller

ALCIE (BRAY) LEEDY

By the help of the good Lord we will try to write this obituary of our dear loving Mother whom I believe God sent his angel and took her to that beautiful home he prepared for his children.

She was the daughter of Henry and Nancy Bray of Island Creek near Pikeville, Kentucky, who passed away several years ago.

Mother was born April 6, 1892, deceased November 27, 1981, making her stay here on earth 89 years, 7 months and 21 days.

She was married to William (Bill) Leedy, May 30, 1912, and to this union was born six children; two boys and four girls. Lillie Compton and Helena Justice of Pikeville, Kentucky, Maxie Reynolds of Taylor, Michigan, Cleo Thomas of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Henry Leedy of Prestonsbury, Kentucky, Edward Leedy of Pikeville, Kentucky; 21 grandchildren, 3 step grandchildren, 62 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren.

Mother joined the Old Regular Baptist Church the third Sunday in June 1942, and was a loving faithful member as long as she was able to go fill her seat but her love for the church continued on until death.

She always gave a warm welcome for people to come home with her for dinner, she loved to cook and fix dinner for the church people, her neighbors and her children.

Dad preceded her in death in 1966, he was a good humble father to all of us and to his neighbors. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1944, and was a good and faithful Christian, so good and kind to all, he worked hard to support his family. They raised a good family, God blessed them all to live to see Dad and Mom put away, how sad it was to see them go but Jesus wanted them to come and live in that beautiful home that he has prepared for his children. I believe if they could speak back they would say "children get ready to meet Jesus for he will call you some day and we don't want the family circle to be broken".

Jesus said "Behold I stand at the door and knock if any man hear my voice and open the door I will come in to him and will sup with him and he with me".

So children let Jesus come in and take up his abode in your hearts so you can go home to live with Mom and Dad in that home God has prepared for them that love and serve him. We don't want a link in our family chain broken.

May God Bless all of you in our prayers.

Written by her son-in-law and daughter,
Elder Whipple Reynolds and wife, Maxie, her daughter



WALLACE LEE MCCARTY

It is with a greivous heart that I attempt to write the obituary of my brother, Wallace Lee McCarty. He was born March 9, 1939 at Wheelwright, Kentucky and passed away October 6, 1981, making his stay on earth a little over 42 years.

He leaves behind to mourn him five children, Buddy Ray, Tina, and Chester Wayne all of Huntland, Tennessee; Sheryl of Phoenix, Arizona; and Kellie residing at home with his widow, Roxanna, at Lebanon Junction, Kentucky. Also three stepchildren; Charles, Patti and David Gilbert, all of Louisville, Kentucky. His broken hearted parents, Wayne and Daisy McCarty of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and eight brothers and sisters; Emma-Jean Cooley, Phyllis Waddles and Judy Preston of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, Faye Moscript of Weeksbury, Kentucky, Ronald McCarty of Columbus, Ohio, Christine Bailey, Jerome McCarty, and Doug McCarty, all of Ypsilanti, Michigan, and numerous nieces and nephews.

I am so happy to relate an experience I had about two weeks before my brother died. I saw him rise out of his bed of affliction and praise the Lord. He also told my sister Faye. "If I don't see you again on earth I have a better home waiting for me". I believe my brother is resting under the altar of God and I will see him at the resurrection.

Written by his grieving brother
Elder Doug McCarty



VIRGINIA MILLER

It is with much sadness that I will try by the help of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to write the obituary of Virginia Virgie Miller. She was born into the home of R.E. Tracey and Nora Dove Arnold on February 12, 1912 and departed this life to go be with our Lord on Septmber 15, 1981, making her stay here 69 years, 6 months, 24 days. In her early years she met and married a wonderful man, Sollie T. Miller Sr. on April 1, 1931. The Lord called him home on April 20, 1971. I might say he was the first moderator of the Little Memory Church, he loved it so dearly.

Mom loved to come here because it holds a lot of memories. Her last communion was taken here. She was so sick but she wanted to take it one more time. She wasn't able to attend church the way



she wanted to.

Her family was small but she had a host of brothers and sisters she dearly loved. She leaves to mourn her loss a son, Sollic T. Miller Jr. of Osgood, Indiana; a daughter, Louise A. Miller still at home; a stepson, Conrad R. Miller of Oak Hill, Ohio; 6 grandchildren and one great grandchild; three sisters, Sarah Belle Collins of Spartansburg, South Carolina, Naomi Jones of Welch, West Virginia, Eula Mae Hess of South Charleston, West Virginia; one brother, Gene Tracey. She also had a host of brothers and sisters to mourn her loss.

It always made her feel good for them to come visit with her. She was a sister in Christ to me as well as a Mommie. She always done for me like I was her own, and I guess in a way I was. I've known her since I was 13 years old and have loved her very much. She never told me anything that was wrong. She loved her grandchildren and would do anything for them. After Dad passed away she made her life around them and they were the light of her life. It always pleased her when they would stay with her. I'll never forget the day she went to her granddaughter's, Beverly, graduation, she was so happy it was like she wanted to fly. The tears of joy ran down her face when she saw Beverly walk in. Beverly had the joy of seeing a Christian's face when the Lord appeared before her. She was with Mom in the evening before God called her home. She kept asking Beverly if she couldn't see that man in the beautiful white robe. She said He's coming after me and kept reaching her hand out to Him. She said He was the most beautiful person she had ever saw. So at 2:30 A.M. on September 15, 1981, He took her by the hand and lead her into the land where saints immortal rein. She is now I believe in the Land of Pure Delight where there is no more pain, sorrow or heartaches. She is now resting from her labors she won't have to worry anymore about if she will be able to breathe because I believe she is singing with the Angels. I know that our home will be lonely, we will all miss her. We can no longer go to her home and enjoy the good pleasures she would always have waiting for us. Mom is enjoying a pleasure now that she has been waiting for, for so long. She has deserved this rest. She was a good Mommie and we loved her dearly. But God needed another flower for His bouquet. Let's look at it this way children, we can join Mom in the Master's bouquet if we will do His will.

She has been a faithful Christian and a devoted church member for many years. She laid the pattern and let her light shine so all the world could see. She was a member of The House of Prayer Church in Dayton, Ohio. This year we will add another rose to the many we already buy to honor our loved ones who have gone on.

I want to say to Beverly; you braided Mamaw's hair because you wanted her to look pretty and because you wanted to do one last thing for her. And to Ronnie, you wanted to help carry her to her final resting place because you wanted her to be handled gently because you loved her. As you carry her do one final thing, let her know you love her by falling out with sin and making our family circle complete. Please don't let it be broken. To Junior and Louise, I know you are very heart broken and lonely. You have lost someone very precious to you. You've seen her suffer for so long but now she won't have to suffer anymore. She has gone home to be with the one she loved and served. You've heard her say so many times that she wanted to go home. Now she is home where all is peace and joy. It will be hard for you but you must

realize that she is in a better country and best of all, you have a hope of seeing her again someday. I know you wouldn't want her back to suffer the way she did. Honey, just remember the sweet smile you saw on her face and the sparkle that was in her eyes when she saw Jesus reaching out to her. May God Bless you and Louise and everyone that has suffered this loss. But our loss is Heaven's gain. For if we believe that Jesus died and arose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him when He shall return to call the righteous home to everlasting peace in Glory.

Written by her daughter-in-law
and sister in Christ,
Sister Georgia Miller

LONZO MULLINS

*The righteous cry, and the Lord
heareth, and delivereth them out of all their
troubles. PSALM 34:17*

We will try by God's infinite mercies, and request of the Mullins Family to write the obituary of our dear brother in Christ, Lonzo Mullins. A call went out, and on April 21, 1982, Lonzo answered the call we all must face.

Lonzo was born December 4, 1924, to George and Julia Mullins, Myra, Kentucky, and departed this life April 21, 1982, making his stay on earth 57 years, 4 months, and 16 days. His parents preceded him in death when he was an infant. His Aunt Carrie (Maw) Mullins raised Lonzo from tender years of infancy to his teen years, where he lived with his father George, until his father passed away. He met and married, Alka Mullins, daughter of Wilburn and Della Mullins, on June 1, 1946. To this union eight children were born, Brenda Lovasz, Gibraltar, Michigan, Bennie Mullins, Wyandotte, Michigan, Lynda Trancygier, Altamont Springs, Florida, George M. Mullins, Lincoln Park, Michigan, Carrie and Leslie both at home. Two children Cheryl Ann and Lonzo Jerome, preceded him in death. Lonzo leaves to mourn, his wife, Alka, six children, two brothers, Lester, Myra, Kentucky, and Hassel, Alpine, Tennessee, three sisters, Norma Belcher, Dorton, Kentucky, Leona Farley, Columbus, Ohio, Arizona Bachtel, Verdenville, West Virginia, and his "Maw" Carrie of Myra, Kentucky, and three half sisters, Alma, Velma, and Barbara, all of West Virginia. One brother, Fonzo, and one sister, Icie, preceded him in death.



Lonzo was in the Armed Forces during World War II, and brought his family to Michigan in 1950. He was employed at the Great Lakes Steel Corp., until illness of cancer forced him to an early retirement. He and Alka would have celebrated 36 years of marriage, June 1st of this year. He was in the Veterans Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan, at the time of his death.

Late in life Lonzo saw a need of a Savior, repented, and told the brothers of the Little Ida Church. He was baptized September 27, 1981, and remained a faithful member til God called for him. Even in his illness he dwelled on the goodness of God and His infinite mercies. He enjoyed the visits of the brothers and sisters, the songs of Zion and prayers in his home.

To his dear ones left behind; Lonzo has exchanged the weary life, for a peaceful rest, where no pain or sorrow will again compass him. He set the example, the way for you to follow and would not want you to weep for him. Weeping may endure for a night, but Joy cometh in the morning. On that Great Day he'll be one in that host of Angels. Don't let the circle of love be divided in that day, but rather ready yourselves to unite together in that heavenly home, beyond the heartaches you shared here. To Alka, remember all the precious memories of your loved one, and how he loved the Lord. You can be united again through God's mercies.

Written by your servants,
Brother Ralph and Sister Leona
Caudill

MIKE OUSLEY

I will try to write the obituary of our beloved father, Mike Ousley. He was born April 4, 1903. His father and mother, Jonas and Sarah Ousley, has preceded him in death. Brothers Jack, Robert, E. K., William and Lum and sisters, Anna, Louellen, Sadie and Bertha are all deceased. He has one living sister, Judy Bradley, of Rochester, Indiana.

Popie and Momie moved from Floyd County, Kentucky, December 20, 1948, where he was a coal miner for many years. He married Sarah Ousley, April, 1923, unto this union was born ten children, one son, Oscar, deceased. Five sons, Arnold, James A., Berley of Hamden, Ohio, Hermal and Dallas of McArthur, Ohio. Four daughters, Doris Barnett and Hazel Ousley of Hamden, Ohio, Ila Mae Dunlap of Londonderry Ohio, and Lelia LeMay of McArthur, Ohio. Several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Popie attended the Old Regular Baptist Church whenever he was able. Popie took sick in January and was taken to the hospital. When he was released he came home with his son, Hermal, where he lived and was taken care of until he passed away. Popie has gone to a peaceful rest with Mom. We knew he has prayed for that many times. He has said to us many a time, he was looking forward to meeting his Savior and Mom. Hermal, all your brothers and sisters would like to thank you and Rita both for all your loving care you gave Popie. We all know you both did all you could to make his last days more comfortable.



*These tears that we shed for
 you poppy.
 It's because we loved you so,
 but deep in our hearts.
 We knew, that's what you
 wanted,
 so we all had to let you go.
 You wanted to be with
 Mommy, to be with her up
 above.
 You were willing to give up the
 life you had and everyone else
 that you loved.
 Yes, we knew you were waiting
 Poppy.
 I can picture Mom standing at
 heaven's door.
 God has joined you both
 together for the second time.
 So you will never be parted no
 more
 We will keep on living if the
 Lord is willing.
 Those Sundays together we will
 all miss. We have faith in God
 that we will see you again.
 To greet you and Mom with a
 kiss.*

With Love,
 Family of Mike Ousley

CHARLIE PARSONS

With much sadness I will try with the
 help of the good Lord, to write the obituary
 of my loving husband, Charlie Parsons. He
 was born November 26, 1913, departed
 this life May 3, 1982, making his stay on
 earth 68 years, 5 months and 7 days.

He was the son of Frank and Diney
 Parsons of Brushie Creek, Kentucky. Early
 in life he met and married Juanita Pack
 Parsons on December 24, 1946, in Preston-
 burg, Kentucky.

To this union seven children were
 born, six girls and one boy. He leaves to
 mourn his loss, his wife, Juanita Parsons of
 River Rouge, Michigan. Daughters, Mrs.
 Wilda Hoffman of River Rouge,
 Michigan, Mrs. Patricia Mihalov of
 Ecorse, Michigan, Mrs. Donna French of Rockwood, Michigan, Mrs. Joann
 Moyer of Ecorse, Michigan, S.Sgt. Pamela Barton of Barksdale AFB. I.A.



and Miss Brenda Parsons of River Rouge, Michigan. Son, Billy Ray Parsons of Penscola, Florida AFB.

He had 12 grandchildren who he loved so much. Also three sisters and two brothers, Harvey Parsons of Riverview, Michigan, Oakley Parsons of Pilgrim, Kentucky, Alice Shelton of McDowell, Kentucky, Elsie Heskett of Riverview, Michigan, and Anna Marie Balanger of Southgate, Michigan. His parents and six brothers and one sister precede him in death.

He was retired from Chrysler Corporation at Trenton, Michigan. He worked very hard for his family, but his bad health made him retire, 7 1/2 years ago. He bore his pain with much patience, he loved his family so much. He always gave his children good advice and council.

Dad never joined the Church but he loved the Old Baptist Family. And he said he wasn't afraid to die.

We loved him so much, and our home is very lonely since he left us. I feel by the grace of God I will see him again when this life is over.

So children let me beg you to seek the Lord before it's too late, and beg God to forgive you of your sins. Let God be the leader and guide you through this life.

I'll close, may the good Lord Bless you all.

Written by his broken hearted
wife,
Juanita Parsons

I would like to add a few words to my Dad's obituary. Daddy was the best father any child could ask for. He was always there for any of us, no matter what. He often said to us that he felt he was really lucky that none of his children drank liquor or used drugs. Well, I feel that were the lucky ones. We learned a great deal from what we were taught at home.

Daddy and momma taught us to love God, and to respect the American flag and military uniform. I guess that is why it made him so proud that two of his seven children were in the Air Force. Although he missed them terribly, he was very proud.

I remember going down to take him and momma to the doctor the Wednesday before he died. All the way home he told me stories of when he was a boy. How I loved to hear the stories he had to tell. Everything that daddy experienced throughout his life, he remembered, and told all of us about them.

He loved to joke and kid around with all of us, because he knew he could never hurt our feelings. I am glad he felt close to us, because all of us felt close to him.

How he loved his grandchildren. He had nicknames for all of them. Although he would kid around and say how mean they were he would jump all over us if he thought we were going to punish them. He would say that they were only kids and we should remember what it was like to be a child. Everyone of his grandchildren loved him so much. They are all so hurt by his death, but they realize how very sick he got this past winter, and that now he is resting in the hands of God.

I remember the last time I saw daddy, in the hospital, hooked up to all of those machines. I knew that daddy was dying before the ministers told my

sisters and I that they thought he would not make it, and for us to come willing for the Lords will to be done. As much as we wanted him to live, he had "9 code blues" called that morning. They kept vibulating him with the electric paddles. I think all of us were begging God to take him so that he wouldn't have to suffer anymore. Daddy died at 7:36 a.m., May 3, 1982. He fought to live, but God needed his "Good Heart".

Daddy loved God and the Old Regular Baptist Church. He let God be the leader of his life, and I truly believe that he is with God now.

In closing I would like to say that all of my life, I remember that daddy was good to everyone. It didn't matter what color they were, or what nationality, he often said that "he never met a stranger". My dad was a very big part of all our lives. Although he is gone, and we will never see him anymore, I feel that as long as any of his children or mem lives, the love and laughter he showed to all of us will never die.

"Rest in Peace with God, Daddy, we will meet again". No one will ever know how empty we are without you".

Written by his loving daughter,
Joann (Parsons) Moyer

HENRY POE

On August 13, 1981, our beloved father and a loving husband, Henry Poe, left this world of sorrow and pain for his home in glory, making his stay here on earth 68 years and 24 days.

He was born on July 19, 1913 to Boyd and Luminta Poe of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. He was married to Polly Allen on August 13, 1936 in Salyersville, Kentucky. To this union were born four children, one son, James Poe of Marshall, Michigan, three daughters, Ruth Poe, who precedes him in death, Mary Halcomb of Marshall, Michigan and Martha Richar of Homer, Michigan.

Henry and Polly moved from Kentucky to Michigan in 1942. Dad travelled many a mile to go to church. He gave the land that the Little Polly Church now sits on and spent many an hour working on the church. Dad loved the Old Regular Baptist Church and would go every where he could to church. Although he never gave his hand to the church here, we believe he made peace along time ago with the Good Lord and was baptized into that heavenly kingdom as he loved the church and would do all he could to help. We believe his soul is gone to God who gave it and the body is waiting in the grave for the return of our Savior to raise it, a spiritual body to meet him in the air to ever be with him in heaven.

We want to say "Thanks" to our dearest friends and loved ones and a "Special Thanks" to a brother in the church, Elder Richard Griffith for standing by us when we needed someone to lean on. For we know that God is able



to lift us up when we are down.

Henry was a wonderful husband and a loving father to his children and grandchildren and others too. His memorial will be preached the second Saturday and Sunday in September 1983. All are welcome to come.

So, sleep on daddy, until one bright day, when we shall rise to die no more.

Written by the Family

ERNEST PRATER

Brother Ernest Delman Prater, a deacon of the Maggie's Home Church, was the son of John and Sister Elizabeth Ratliff Prater, who have both gone on. He was born June 12, 1915, in Emma, Kentucky, and was baptized into the Old Regular Baptist Church February 19, 1950. He died Sunday, May 23, 1982. He left to mourn him a loving wife, Sister Mauda Lee Prater, four sons: Ken of Canton, Frank of Stuttgart, Arkansas, Keith of Cincinnati, and John of McArthur; five daughters: Berniece Kaaz, Delana Newsome, Vicki Yates, all of McArthur; Sheila Burley of Chillicothe, and Margie Booth of Marietta. Also surviving are nine loving sons-in-law and daughters-in-law and twenty-two grandchildren. He had four brothers to die before him and four sisters: Beatrice Hicks, Ellen Hicks, May Prater, Geraldine Bailey, all of Garrett, Kentucky, to survive him.

He was a faithful member of the Maggie's Home Church and was respected by his friends. He was a light unto the world and he set a good example for his loved ones to follow. I know that he would want everyone to know how close his family is and that his sons-in-law and daughters-in-law were as close to him as if they were his own children. We believe in our hearts that Papaw has done his suffering here on earth and that now he's just waiting for his reward. We all loved him so much that naturally so we wanted to keep him with us always, but God knows best and it makes it easier for us to give him up knowing that he's happier now than ever. We pray that God will be merciful to those of us who are left now that he's gone.



The Ernest Prater Family

CHARLIE RAMEY

With a sad and aching heart, we will try to write the obituary of our father, Charlie Ramey. He was the son of Monroe F. Ramey and Mevlina Clay. He was born in Lincoln County, West Virginia on December 28, 1902. He died on November 11, 1981, making his stay here on earth 78 years, 10 months and 14 days.

In his early years, he married Emma Jean Adkins on May 16, 1923. They were married 55 years, 10 months and 25 days. To this union was born eight children. His wife and son preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn seven children. Two sons; Raymond W. Ramey of Columbus, Ohio and Alvin Ramey, Berthand, Colorado. Five daughters; Mildred Yates, Ruth Francis Davis, Eva Ramey and Dolly Adeline Bey, all of Columbus, Ohio, Verda Rose Muench of Shelby, North Carolina, 12 grandchildren, 7 great granddaughters, 1 great grandson. He leaves two sisters, Dolly Scott of Columbus, Ohio and Myrtle Adkins of Branchland, West Virginia, one aunt, Alpha Clay of Huntington, West Virginia.

He loved for the church people to come to have church in his home.

We have hope Father is in Heaven. He was bright shining star to his children. We miss you Father. We loved you. Our loss is Heaven's gain, we hope.

He joined the church at Gahanna, Ohio. He was baptized in the Walnut Creek on August 25, 1968 by Elder Hiram Adkins and Elder George Hamilton. His membership was with the Little Angel Church.

Written by daughters,
Eva Ramey and Mildred Yates



GORDEN REYNOLDS

With much sadness and broken hearted we will try with the help of the good Lord to write the obituary of a dear Daddy and a Brother in Christ, Brother Gorden Reynolds. Brother Gorden was born July 2, 1915. Departed from this life July 21, 1982. He was the son of Marion and Louanna (Maggard) Reynolds. Brother



Gorden was married to Melda (Johnson) Reynolds, May 13, 1937. To this

union was born ten children, Robert Reynolds and, Marion Reynolds, Morris Hill, Indiana, Gorden Reynolds, Jr., Haskell Reynolds, Ray Reynolds, Ruth Hakens, Margaret Lochar, and Catherine Mirger, all of Milan, Indiana, Pauline Rohrig, Versailles, Indiana, and Sue Reynolds of Michigan. Twenty-seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Brother Gorden joined the Old Regular Baptist Church September 1, 1969. His membership was at the Little Memory Church at the time of his death. He was a faithful member, and a good worker in the church.

Brother Gorden was a hard worker, wanted his family to have the best he could give them.

Surely there is nobody who could say nothing but something good about this Brother. Brother Gorden loved everybody and the good part about it he showed it by his loving kindness, always had a smile for everybody.

This Brother, Husband and Daddy will be missed in his humble home but just think of it like this God had a need for him more than we did. It won't be long until we can go and join him where parting will be no more.

Brother Gorden's doors were always open to his brothers and sisters in the church and his friends. He was always ready to help and wait on the elder brothers and sisters in the church. If he saw something needed to be done he just went ahead and did it, he served as a Deacon in three churches. He will be missed on that part. He was so good to take care of Brother and Sister Ward. He seen about them every day. I am sure they will miss him.

He always loved to get with his brothers and sisters and go to church. We have had a many good trip together going to the Association and different places to church and talking about the Lord and singing songs.

We could write all day about the good things of this Brother and still there would be more, so sleep on Brother Gorden and Daddy it won't be long until we will meet again by the help of the good Lord. Where there will be no more heartaches and parting will be no more.

I would love to say to you children, if you have never made peace with your Lord you will have to do that if you ever want to see Daddy anymore.

Written by a broken hearted
Daughter,
Catherine Mirger, and a Brother
in Christ,
Brother Kelly Day

CURTIS SHORT

By request of the family and the help of the good Lord we will try to write the obituary of our beloved Uncle and Brother in the Lord, Curtis Short.

He was born in Knott County, Kentucky on November 30, 1907, deceased April 4, 1982, making his stay upon this earth 74 years, 4 months and 4 days. He was the son of the late Henry C. and Amanda Martin Short.

In early life he chose for his companion Alta Slone. They spent a little over 50 years together and God blessed them to have 14 children. His sweet wife and two infant children preceded him in death leaving to mourn his passing two sons, Dencil of Sunman, Indiana and Carnell of Milan, Indiana; ten daughters, Areeda Calhoun, Una Fay Johnson and Corene Hammonds, all of Sunman, Indiana, Raccene Compas and Ida Jane Good of Milan, Indiana, Ruby Spurlock of Pierceville, Indiana, Lorraine Ernst of Richmond, Indiana, Linda Gunter of Osgood, Indiana, Marletta Green of Lawrenceburg, Indiana, and Arleen Caudill of St. Cloud, Florida, 43 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, one brother, Hiram Short of Mallie, Kentucky, two sisters, Mrs. Dolly Bentley of Mallie, Kentucky and Mrs. Lizzie Slone of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, also a host of friends and relatives for he was loved by all who knew him.

Uncle Curt turned to the Lord many years ago and was so good and humble, always giving counsel to his children and grandchildren.

I, Clarence Jenkins, have known Brother Curt for 27 years and worked many days with him. His mind was always to talk about Christ. So I want to say to his children if you ever expect to see Daddy and Mother again you'll have to fall out with sin and fall into the offered mercies of God and be born again.



Written by Bro. Clarence Jenkins
and

Mr. and Mrs. Has B. Short

MAMMA AND PAPPA

*Love, like a flower, seemed to
blossom for these two
But there was always enough
left to give to me and you.
Pappa would work till he was
weary to earn a little pay,
Mamma did everything for us
in her own special way.*

*Twelve untaught souls were
placed under their blessed care
You could count their sorrows
by the silver in Mamma's hair.
Pappa's life was hard and a few
times he would stray,
But Mamma brought him back
with a smile from night to day.*

*For fifty years these two carried
out God's loving plans
They touched so many lives
with their devoted, faithful
hands.
Now, there's only one left to
cherish, love and adore
And Pappa is slipping from us
perhaps forevermore.*

*Cry for the children, weep for
yourselves, but let him go
Mamma is waiting for Pappa,
it's what he wants and where he
belongs!*

The Children

HENRY C. SHORT

The son of Hiram and Catherine Sparkman Short. Henry was born April 26, 1913 at Short Fork, Knott County, Kentucky. In the year of 1937 he met and married Inez Reynolds and to this union was born seven children, two daughters and five sons.

He moved to R.R. 1, Laurel, Indiana in 1950. As he was working for Rex MFG Company at Coopersville, Indiana. He retired in 1975 being 62 years old. H.C. also enjoyed working on his farm.

I have known H.C. for the past 20 years and I have always found him to be a very special kind of man. He always seemed to try so hard to tell his children about Jesus and his way and his goodness. Not only his but his neighbors children also. He was liked by all of them. I feel I should call him Brother H.C. because to me he sure bore the good fruit. We have went so



much together these last few years, to visit the sick in the hospitals and at homes, also to many churches. So many times they would ask us to hold prayer. Brother H.C. would get right on his knees with us. Although he never had his name on our church record here, I feel that it surely is written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Brother H.C. loved the Old Regular Baptist and what it stands for and would do what he could to help it.

In 1968 he gave the Little Children's Home one acre of ground to build a church house and later let them have another acre for a cemetery, where his body now sleeps at R.R. 1, Laurel, Indiana.

H.C. and Inez was getting along very good. They seemed to really be enjoying life. But, Friday morning May 21, 1982, he had got up feeling pretty good and about 9:00 a.m. he took sick. Heart condition. About 9:20 he left this world of sorrow to a land of Paradise. Being 69 years and 25 days old.

He leaves to mourn his death, his wife, Inez, two daughters; Katherine Sweet, Troy, Michigan; Donna Joy Korner, Route 2, Harrison, Ohio. Five sons, Randolph, Columbus, Ohio; Radford, Columbus, Ohio; Toulbee, R.R. 1, Laurel, Indiana; Gervose, Brookville, Indiana; Ollie W., Connersville, Indiana; his Dad and Step Mom, Isabel of Mallie, Kentucky; three sisters, Inez, June and Dovie; four brothers, Lester, Burchell, Hasb, and Curt. Also 12 grandchildren, 5 step grandchildren and several nieces and nephews and a great host of friends. His mother, two sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

There is so many things we could say about H.C., but children we can't bring daddy back now, but if we will just put all our trust in Jesus we can go where he is gone.

Written by
Elder Zee Holbrook

PERRY SLOAN

It is a very sad occasion for me to attempt to write the obituary of my companion, Perry Sloan. He was born December 21, 1901 to Lucinda and Marion Sloan in Knott County, Kentucky and died peacefully in his sleep July 13, 1982 at Batesville, Indiana. His stay on earth was 80 years, 6 months and 21 days.

He was previously married to Sylvia Marshall of Letcher, Kentucky. To this marriage were born three children, Pauline (Audrey) of Michigan, Iona (Justine) of Salyersville, Kentucky and Kathleen who stayed with her Grandma, died at the age of 3 years.

On December 24, 1928, Perry and I (Anna Collins) were united in marriage. We spent 53 years and 6 months together here on earth with deep affection and friendship through good and bad times. We shared all our problems



together. By this marriage he had ten children, four boys and six girls; Elmer and Lowell of Batesville, Indiana, James, Osgood, Indiana, Harold, Salem, Indiana, Bernalda (Crowell) and Henrietta (Bowling), Osgood, Indiana, Zelma (Grossman), Sunman, Indiana, Ophelia (Profitt), Ann Arbor, Michigan, Lorraine (Gridley), Batesville, Indiana, and Oncida who preceded him in death.

He had 44 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and a host of good friends and neighbors to mourn his loss.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister, Dewey, Monroe, Oscar, and Rachel Stamper. He has one surviving sister, Martha Stidham of Middletown, Ohio.

He was a member and Elder of The Little Memory Church of Old Regular Baptist from May 9, 1965 until his death July 13, 1982. His greatest love was the church. After he no longer was able to drive and had lost some of his memory, he wanted to know when Sunday came and when church was. I could hardly get him ready fast enough on Sunday morning.

To you children, you will never hear him tell you to beware again as he so often did, it is time to take an inventory of your life and the road on which you are traveling. If you don't like your destination at the end of the road, you had better turn back and get on the road that Dad traveled which leads to perfect peace and everlasting life. If you are looking for peace out there in this world, you won't find it, because there's not any. Jesus said, "In this world you will have troubles, trials, and tribulations, but in me, you will have peace."

Although our hearts are sad and filled with grief we know he is happy to be with the Lord, the one he loved so much. We will miss his physical presence here, but we know that his memory will always dwell with us. Most of all we will never forget the joy and love he shared with us. He never complained with pain. He just slipped away in Jesus arms, Sleep on Dad, I'll be coming soon.

A Broken Hearted Wife and Family

P.S. In the evening following the death of our father, Perry Sloan, we his family looked into the skies and saw a light shining down from Heaven. We felt that it was God opening the gates of Heaven to welcome our loved one home.

REESE STURGILL

It is with much sadness and an aching heart I will try to write an obituary of my dear and loving husband, Reese Sturgill. We were married 62 years and 4 months. We had twelve children, eight boys and four girls. Four children preceded Reese in death. This leaves me, eight children, 23 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren and lots of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.



Reese was 85 years and 7 months old when he passed away June 6, 1982. He had been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church for 52 years. He loved to go to church. He was in very poor health for the past three years. The last eight months he lived he was so sick he couldn't go to church. He would say, I wish I could go to church. Reese was such a good and kind man. Everyone that knew him had great love for him.

No one knows how sad and lonely my home is. No one to sit and talk about the Lord with me and talk about the good old people that had gone on before us. But, now honey, I don't have to see you suffer so bad. I know you are so happy, no more pain, nor troubles and sorrow like you had here.

Honey, I hope some day our children will make a change in their lives and seek that beautiful home in heaven where parting will be no more. My darling husband, just sleep on in peace with Jesus, It won't be very long till I will be with you.

Written by a sad and broken
hearted
wife, Virginia Sturgill

SOL TACKETT

With a sad and broken heart I will try, with the help of my Lord, to write the obituary of my loving father, Sol Tackett. The son of Ben and Elizabeth McCown Tackett, born August 7, 1905. He departed from us January 12, 1982, making his stay here on earth 76 years, 5 months and 7 days.



He married Annie Osborne July 31, 1925, who deceased this life February 29, 1980, to this union

God gave ten children, five boys, James, Clarence, Sol Jr., two sons preceded him in death, Earl, deceased January 24, 1980 and Bob, deceased January 24, 1982. Five girls, Catherine Calhoun, Bertha Calhoun, Margie Burke, Clara Mac Weishuhn, and Mary Navarre.

He leaves 35 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren, two brothers, Willie and Joe (his twin brother), one sister, Dollie Johnson, a host of other relatives and friends.

I feel with all of my heart Dad made peace with our God and is resting at the altar until that morning. Dad stayed with me for most of his last fifteen months. He told me he constantly prayed for the Lord to forgive him. I heard him pray so often. Once he was very sick, I heard him praying for mercy, he had a sweet smile on his face and he said thank you sweet Jesus. He told Brother Karrell Addington a few days before he died there was nothing standing in his way.

The night before his death I heard him talk to my Uncle Henry, Aunt Becky and Mother, who had already gone on. He passed away at home, Mary and I were with him, he passed on so easy. My home is so lonely now. Oh, how I miss you, Dad.

To my brothers and sisters, please fall out of sin and live for Jesus. So we will all be together in the morning, where our Family Circle will be whole and never broken again.

Written by his lonely and broken
hearted daughter,
Catherine Calhoun

OSCAR ROBERT TACKETT

With a sad and lonely heart, and the help of God, I will try to put into a few words of Brother Bob. Oscar Robert was his real name, but most everyone knew him as Bob.

Brother Bob was born June 4, 1942 in Weeksbury, Kentucky, to Sol and Annie (Osborne) Tackett. Bob's Mother, Father and one brother, Earl, has preceded in death. Brother Bob died just 12 days after his father's death, and exactly two years to the day after his brother, Earl.

Brother Bob leaves to mourn, his loving wife, Betty (Hall) Tackett, two sons, Timmy and Johnny, and one daughter, Tammy. He talked of his children all the time, he loved them so much. Three brothers, James, Clarence and Junior. Five sisters, Kathryn, Bertha, Margie, Mae and Mary. Also many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, relatives and friends.



Brother Bob traded this life of pain, heartache and sorrow, to a home of Beauty and Peace forevermore. Bob joined the Ypsilanti Old Regular Baptist Church, January 10, 1982. He had cirrhosis of the liver and was a very sick man. He said he had one more thing to do, that was to be baptized. He had called me around Christmas time, crying and saying he was so happy, that he felt that God had forgiven him of his sins. He checked himself out of the hospital. The nurse said he was taking a chance. They asked Brother Karrel Addington to try and get him to wait, because he was so sick. But he still insisted. He just kept telling me how happy he was that God was so merciful, and he hoped he could live the life God wanted him to, as long as he lived.

God is the one we have to answer to, and I am sure he was well pleased that day. He called me and had me helping to call the family. He wanted all of them to see him baptized. Surely from the great change the family seen in Bob, it should make them stop and think of their future life, and realize that repenting and living for Jesus is the only way from Grace to God.

We all miss him so very much. More than words could ever tell.

His loving sister,
Sister Margie Burke

ETHEL VANDERPOOL

It's with a very sad and aching heart with the help of the Lord and my two sisters that we will try to carry out Dad's request to write an obituary of our beloved mother.

She was the daughter of John and Dollie Lawson. Born September 9, 1911. Making her stay here on earth 70 years, 8 months.

She was married to Newton Vanderpool September 11, 1927, to this union was born ten children. Seven boys: Don, Plymouth; Bill, Wintergarden, Florida; Jim, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Roy, Willard, Raymond, Manassas, Virginia; Larry, Herndon, Virginia. Three girls: Ellaree, Sue, Joanne, all of Plymouth. One son preceded her in death, Bobby Jay.

She also had 24 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. One grandson, Charles and one great granddaughter, Joy Lynn, preceded her in death.

She also leaves three sisters, Alvie, Ted, and Melvie and three brothers, Bud, Herb, and Edd to mourn her loss.

Mom also considered Lina Rank of Shelby as one of her daughters and Brett one of her grandchildren. Mom had a lot of little children who called her Mamaw.

There's not enough paper to hold all the good things we could say about Mom. She loved everybody. All my life I never saw her refuse even a hobo something to eat. I believe God would bless her when she would set the food before them. We little kids would be afraid; but Mom, she had faith.



My earliest memories of her was her taking me to church all over Kentucky. We would start out walking, but some brother and sister would give her a ride. Here's her faith again. She walked to Stone Coal, her home church, most of the time and I've heard her say she would have to shake the ice off the baby's blanket when she got there. Here's her faith again. I've heard her rejoice and tell how good the Lord is for about 46 years. She always said she couldn't thank him enough right up until the death angel came early Tuesday morning to take her to that rest she's always shouted about, and longed to go to.

Mom joined Old Stone Coal Church March, 1932, and she was a faithful member of Old Regular Baptist as long as she lived. She believed in people being just what they are. She stood strong in the Faith and in the things God showed and taught her when she was very young woman. She told us we would have to suffer for every sin we committed. I found everything she taught us to be very true. She taught us all from little children and until her death what we would have to do and thanks be to my God I've been walking with Mom and Dad for 21 years. Years ago Jo went over that same road and she's been walking with them for 8 years. The rest of you I don't know what is in your heart, only you and the Lord know, but if you haven't made a change, let me beg you along with Dad and Jo not to let Mom's council go. She loved you all so much. Turn to the Lord while you still have time. Tomorrow may never come. She always said I want to see Jesus for myself. Oh boys, if you could have heard the prayers and the groans she and Daddy have sent up for you. I believe they brought you from Korea and Viet Nam and have kept you safe many a time. She always told if you go where Mom is going you have a job to do. You have to turn your back on the world and beg the Lord's forgiveness for the sins you have done and turn your whole life over to him. Then when God forgives you of your sins you can go where Mom has gone. TO REST.

The last night I sat with her by her bed she asked me to help her up. She was so weak. She put both her arms around me and was trying to Praise the Lord. Her breath was so short all I could hear was Praise My Lord. Oh how those words went through me. I can't express my feelings. It brought many things back she told me about the past.

When we first came to Ohio, there wasn't any Old Regular Baptist churches around, but Brother Wriie Tuttle, Brother Emmit Baidridge and Mom talked about it so much. She was so hungry for church and so far away from the churches. They started holding meetings in their homes and Mom would feed everyone who came. She loved to cook and feed people (not only people from church).

I believe her neighbors will miss her. She was a pattern to the world wherever she went. She piled up stones along the way of her life for her children to follow.

To you grandchildren, Mamaw loved to cook the things you liked. She loved you all so much. Just remember her council.

*Oh Dear Mother, how we miss
you
since Jesus called you away.
But we'll see you again
On that Homecoming day.*

Sleep on Mom. You look so Peaceful. I believe you are in the land of pure delight. We'll meet you again.

Your broken hearted daughters,
Ellaree, Susie and Jo

Memorial to be preached at Stone Coal Church the 2nd Saturday and Sunday in June 1983.

Elders called: Brother Earl Lawson, Brother Clifford Colley, Brother Ivory Sowards, and Brother Ershel Huff.

DRAXIE WRIGHT

By the help of the good Lord, I will try and write a short obituary of my loving wife, Draxie Burke Wright.

Draxie was born, September 1, 1921, she died following open heart surgery, May 18, 1982. Making her stay on earth 60 years, 8 months, and 18 days.

She was the daughter of Lee Grady Burke and Mary Tackett Burke, Both of whom preceded her in death. She was married to Jessie Wright, December 17, 1938. To this union no children were born; but she was the mother to many. We raised our niece, Sue Burke, Carl Burkes' daughter.

Draxie wasn't a member of any church but she was a believer in the Old Regular Baptist. She left us in good hopes of her salvation because of the many testimonies she had.



She leaves to mourn her loss: her husband, Jessie Wright of River Rouge, Michigan. Five sisters: Vadney Combs, Piketon, Ohio; Bethel Bentley, Myra, Kentucky; Gustie Wright, Dorton, Kentucky; Agnes Haley, Jenkins, Kentucky; Loretta Albert, River Rouge, Michigan. Three brothers: Walton Burke, Myra, Kentucky; Milford Burke, Belleville, Michigan; Ray Burke, River Rouge, Michigan; many nieces and nephews and a host of friends. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Carl Herston Burke, who died April 30, 18 days before Draxie's death.

To the remaining family I say; the silver cord that bound the family together is now broken and we are all scattered, but may we never forget Draxie's smiling face. The space in my home is vacant, but with the help of the Lord I will see her again.

Sadly missed and loved by all. Gone but not forgotten.

Written by her broken hearted
husband,
Jessie Wright

SUSAN HUGHES

Susan Hughes, age 87, died February 4, 1982 at home after a number of years of declining health. She was born January 20, 1895 at Dock, Kentucky.

She was a member of The Little Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church, Plymouth, Ohio, since moving to the Willard area in 1946. She was a member for many years.

She is survived by five daughters, Mildred Reffitt of Greenup, Kentucky; Millie Prater of Edgewater, Florida; Mallie Grizzle of Willard, Ohio; Jemima Hick of Butler, Ohio; and Nancy Prater of Willard, Ohio; four sons, Leonard of Pikeville, Kentucky; Johnnie of Corpus Christi, Texas; Alex of Prestonsburg, Kentucky; and Emery Jr. of Layton, Utah; 28 grandchildren; 51 great grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and one sister, Mimie Miller of Dock, Kentucky.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emery Hughes, Sr., and two sons, Thomas Jr., and Charlie Hughes.

What a Paradise, what a peaceful rest she surely is experiencing now. The troubles of this life sometimes are so great we wonder what it'll be like when we close our eyes in death, or just go to sleep in Jesus' arms. She won't have to wonder anymore.

She'll never have to worry about her children anymore. She'll never have another pain. To me she was a great example of a Christian mother, so much love showed when she'd meet you with her arms opened.

The Little Rebecca Church has lost a wonderful member.

God blessed her to live a long life in this world, now He's blessed her to live forever.

May God Bless the family to bear this great loss.



Written by her sister-in-the-Lord,
Carlene Carty

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 selected 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 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,

Elder Baxter Osborne

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