

# MINUTES

Of The 30th Russell's Creek Association, Of United Baptists, Held At Good Hope Meeting House, Green County, Ky., on the 20th, 21st, & 22nd Days Of September 1834

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1834

1<sup>st</sup>. – The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder John Harding, from Hebrews, VI. 12. “Be not slothful, but followers of them, who through faith and patience, inherit the promises.”

2<sup>nd</sup>. - Letters from the Churches were read, and the Messengers names enrolled as follows:

*B – baptized*                      *D – dismissed*              *R - restored*              *T - total*  
*RL – received by letter*      *E – excluded*              *D – dead*                  *C- contributions*

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>	B	RL	D	R	E	D	T	C
Brush Creek	J. GRAHAM, R. Hazle, F.G. Graham, J.C. Woodson, J. Victor.	12	6	5	1	8	0	125	\$1.25
Mt. Gilead	J. INGRAM, Wm. Penick, D. Caldwell.	24	2	5	2	0	2	132	\$1.25
Zion	James Allen , Anthony Garnett.	9	1	0	0	1	2	68	\$1.25
Good Hope	R. Young, G.M. Buckner, B. McFarland, E. Graham.	22	1	3	1	1	1	69	\$1.00
Pitman	J. HARDING, J. Richardson, J. Shreeve, J.C. Durham.	18	3	5	0	2	7	125	\$1.50
Rolling Fork	D. Miller, J. Miller, W. Masterson.	2	6	0	0	0	0	56	\$ .75
Hopewell	W. Keaton, James Vaughn.	9	6	1	2	1	1	49	\$ .75
Friendship	O. Chaney, J. Durrett, T.W. Edwards, J. Durham, G. W Towles.	20	9	0	0	0	3	132	\$1.50
Union	W. Crowley.	11	3	12	1	0	0	54	\$1.00
S.F. Nolinn	J. Duncan, J. Huss.	2	3	7	1	3	3	74	\$1.25
Knox's Creek	C. Slinker.	9	6	2	0	0	0	69	\$1.00
Bethel	H. Antle.	13	3	0	0	1	0	48	\$ .75
Bacon Creek	WM.M. BROWN, J. Gaddy, H.F. Brooks.	20	4	7	0	1	0	151	\$1.25
Little Barren	William Erwin.	0	3	3	0	0	0	17	\$0.50
Mt. Pleasant	Henry Reynolds.	2	0	3	0	0	1	26	\$ .25
Stewarts Creek	H. Ray, N.R. Beck, S.T. Ray.	3	2	3	0	1	1	53	\$1.00
Mt. Vernon	John Hayne, Jasper Hayne.	4	2	0	0	0	0	38	\$ .70
Siloam	<i>Gideon Tennison</i> , J. Scott, R. Bibb.	13	0	1	0	1	0	62	\$1.00
Liberty	John Burnet, George Priest.	18	2	1	0	0	0	37	\$ .75
Columbia	D.S. COLGAN, Daniel Trabue.	4	0	0	0	0	0	35	\$ .75
East Fork	No letter, or messenger—number last year.								
Dover	W. Nox, Ed. Lewis, M. Hawks, J. Turner.	25	2	3	0	8	0	74	\$1.00
Salem	J. CHANDLER, H. CHANDLER, J.C Sanders.	14	4	0	?	3	2	41	\$1.00
		251	46	58	10	22	22	1565	22.22

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3. Elders, John Harding and Horatio Chandler, were chosen, the former Moderator, and the latter Clerk.

4. Corresponding letters called for, read, and the messengers invited to seats with us. 1<sup>st</sup> From South District, Brother Martin Bottom. 2d. From stockton's valley, no letter or messenger. 3d. From Salem, a letter, but no messenger. 4<sup>th</sup>. From Green River, Elder Jacob Lock and Brother Thomas Edwards. 5<sup>th</sup>. From Barren River, no letter or messenger. 6<sup>th</sup> From South Concord, Brother Jacob Eades.

5. The Circular Letter called for, read and referred to the committee of arrangements, hereafter to be appointed.

6. Next association to be held at Mount Gilead Meeting House, Green county, Ky, third Saturday in September, 1835.

7. Agreed that the rule which requires the association to be held, alternately on the North and South Sides of Green River, is still to be adhered to; but that it shall not be restricted as heretofore, to the central Churches, but may be held with any Church belonging to the Association, which she may think proper to designate.

8. Elders Johnston Graham and Daniel S. Colgan, and brother Gabriel M. Buckner, with the moderator and clerk, appointed a Committee to arrange the unfinished business of the association, and report on Monday.

9. Brethren, John Duncan and Thomas W. Edwards, appointed a committee to prepare letters to corresponding associations.

10. Appointed Elders Jacob Lock, John Harding and Daniel S. Colgan to preach tomorrow, worship to commence at 10 o'clock.

11. Adjourned until Monday morning 9 o'clock.

The above stated Brothers preached on Lord's day to a large congregation, and we \_\_\_s from the excitement apparent, that their labours were blessed.

Monday morning, September 22, 1834.

Pursuant to adjournment, the association met, and proceeded –

1. To call for report of the committee of arrangement, which was produced, read, received and the committee discharged.

2. Agreed to dispense with the printing of a circular Letter this year, and shall in lieu thereof, the Association publish with the minutes, an abstract, or concise Digest of the letters from the Churches, together with any other useful information respecting them which can be, conveniently obtained, in compliance with requests by the publishers of Baptist Annual Registers, at Philadelphia and Cincinnati; and that brother Horatio Chandler is appointed to make said Digest, and give such other information respecting the Churches which he may be in possession of.

3. Appointed four annual meetings and preachers to attend there – 1<sup>st</sup>, At Hopewell, to commence on Friday Before the first Lord's day in April 1835; to be attended by Johnston Graham, William M. Brown and Horatio Chandler. 2d At East Fork, to commence on Friday

before the fourth Lord's day in April 1835; to be attended by John Harding and William Moe. 3d, At Stewart's creek, to commence on Friday before the Fourth lord's day in May, 1835; to be attended by John Ingram and Daniel s Colgan. 4<sup>th</sup>, At Liberty, to commence on Friday before the third lord's day in June, 1835; to be attended by Johnston Graham and Horatio Chandler, and that these meetings continue as long as the ministers and brethren may deem proper – the Association moreover advise the several churches where the annual meetings will be held, by public collections, or otherwise, to collect funds to compensate the preachers above appointed, to attend them.

4. On the subject of the Baptist State Convention, the Churches who are favorable thereto, are advised to raise funds, and become auxiliary to the Convention; and those churches which lack information as to the design of said Convention, are advised to seek it, and on obtaining it, to give their views in their letters to next association.

5. In order to effect a union, if practicable, upon proper principles between the United and Separate Baptists, this Association has appointed a Committee consisting of the following named nine Brethren (to wit): John Harding, Johnston Graham, Horatio Chandler, Gabriel M. Buckner, Thomas W. Edwards, John Graham, Anthony Garnett, William M. Brown, and John Scott; which Committee, (or a majority of the members thereof), are clothed with the full power and authority to agree upon terms of Union; Brethren J.C. Woodson and John Turner are appointed to write and bear to the next Nolin Association of Separate Baptists, a letter, giving said Association notice of the appointment of said Committee, and of its authority, inviting said Nolin Association to appoint a Committee consisting of the same number of members, a majority of whom to act, and clothed with the same authority, -- to meet at South Fork of Nolin Meeting House on the Thursday next preceding the Fourth Saturday in November next. –In the event that said Nolin Association shall appoint such Committee, and if on the meeting of said Committees they shall agree on terms of union, that they publish the same; stating in such publication, distinctly, the terms agree on, signed by all the members of both Committees – and that forthwith a union take place. – Agreed that the above arrangement supersedes the necessity of attending to the query from Friendship, which is on the same subject.

6. Corresponding letters called for, read, approved and messengers appointed to bear them: First, to South District, Brethren John Harding, John Barnett, and John Scott, which is to be held at Freedom, Garrard County, KY. Friday before the third Saturday in August, 1835. – Second, to Salem, Brethren D.S. Colgan, J. Duncan, G.M. Buckner, W.M. Brown, and J. Durham, which is to be held at Simpsons Creek Meeting House, Bloomfield, Nelson county, Ky. on Friday before the first Lord's day in October, 1834 – Third, to Green River, Brethren Horatio Chandler, Johnston Graham, Gideon Tennison, Obadiah Chaney, John Turner, Thomas W. Edwards, and William M. Brown, which is to be held at Beaverdam Meeting House, Edmundson county, KY. on the second Saturday in August, 1835 – Fourth, to South Concord, Brethren Henry Antle, John Haynes and Jasper Haynes, which is to be held at Otter Creek Meeting House, Wayne county, Ky. first Saturday in October, 1834.

7. Agreed to recommend to the Churches, to appoint and observe fast days.

8. Collected \$22.20, which with \$6.56 in the hands of the Clerk from last year, make the sum of \$27.78 now in his hands – from which sum, abating \$5, the allowance made this year to the Clerk, and \$16 paid for this printing. The Minutes of the present Association, there remains \$4.76 which by order of the Association is placed in the hands of Brother Gabriel M. Buckler, Treasurer for the Missionary Society, formed in the Russell's Creek Association.

9. Appointed Elder John Harding to write the next Circular letter, and Elder William M. Brown to preach the introductory discourse, and Horatio Chandler in case of failure.

10. Appointed Horatio Chandler to superintend printing the Minutes, to get 800 copies printed- Retain 50 to distribute among Corresponding Associations and Distribute 750 among the Churches according to their contributions -- Deposite (sic) then with Brother Scott of Greenburg for their reception --And retain \$5 for his services.

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Churches, 23; time of holding Association, 3d Saturday in September, 1835, at Mount Gilead Meeting House, Green county.

The writer, regrets that he is not in possession of more information as regards the state of the Churches. What is stated respecting them is believed to be correct, yet in some instances he may have erred, he most earnestly requests all the Churches to insert on the back of their letters to next association, answers to the following questions; 1<sup>st</sup>, When was your Church constituted? 2d, What county? 3d, What Post Office most convenient? 4<sup>th</sup> On what Saturdays are your monthly meetings held? 5<sup>th</sup>, How many ordained preachers, and what are their names? 6<sup>th</sup>, How many Licentiates, and what their names? 7<sup>th</sup>, Who is Pastor? 8<sup>th</sup>, Have you a Temperance Society? 9<sup>th</sup>, Have you a Sunday School? 10<sup>th</sup>, Have you a Tract Society? 11<sup>th</sup>, Have you a Bible Society? 12<sup>th</sup>, How much have you contributed since last Association to your Pastor? 13<sup>th</sup>, How much for the spread of the Gospel among the destitute? Brethren, let your Letters be *short* and *plainly written*--- Let the answers to the above inquiries be entirely separate from the body of the letter, as they are not designed to be *read* to the Association, but to enable the Association to give information to the publishers of annual registers respecting those matters, as well as all others who may desire it.

HORATIO CHANDLER.

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 OF THE THIRTY-FIRST RUSSELL'S CREEK ASSOCIATION,  
 OF  
 UNITED BAPTISTS;  
 HELD AT  
 MOUNT GILEAD MEETING HOUSE,  
 GREEN COUNTY, KY.,  
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 SEPTEMBER, 1835  
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 1835

1<sup>st</sup>. The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder William M. Brown, from Eph. 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter, 19<sup>th</sup> verse, "Now therefore, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens of the saints, and of the household of God."

2<sup>nd</sup>. Letters from the Churches were read, and the Messengers names enrolled as follows:

*B – baptized*                      *D – dismissed*                      *R - restored*                      *T - total*  
*RL – received by letter*      *E – excluded*                      *D – dead*                      *C- contributions*

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>	B	RL	D	R	E	D	T	C
1. Brush Creek	J. GRAHAM, I. Hazle, R. Hazle, J.C. Woodson, J. Victor.	1	3	6	0	0	2	121	\$1.25
2. Mt. Gilead	J. INGRAM, Z. WORLEY, T.B. Penick, D. Caldwell, B. Ingram.	1	1	0	0	1	6	125	\$1.25
3. Zion	O. Garnett, A. Garnett, J. Allen, C. Miller, W. Stapp.	0	0	2	2	0	1	67	\$1.25
4. Good Hope	J. Short, G.M. Buckner, B. McFarland, J. Garland.	0	3	1	0	2	1	68	\$1.00
5. Pitman	J. HARDING, J.C. Durham, M. Madera.	7	1	0	0	1	1	131	\$1.50
Rolling Fork	<i>D. Miller.</i>	0	0	0	0	1	0	55	\$ .75
Hopewell	William Butler, John Barger.	1	2	0	0	0	1	48	\$ .50
Friendship	T.W. Edwards, W.G. Anderson, G.W. Towles, J. Durrett, H. Smith.	8	2	2	0	3	0	133	\$1.50
Union	W. M. Crowley, J.B. Yeates, Wm. Thomas.	0	0	0	0	1	2	51	\$1.00
S.F. Nolinn	J. Duncan, H. Gardner, J. Elliot.	0	4	3	0	2	0	74	\$1.25
Knox's Creek	F Gardner, H. Watkins.	8	7	3	0	0	1	75	\$1.00
Bethel	S. Owens, J.M. McMillan, J. Dungan.	0	2	2	0	3	2	39	\$ .56
Bacon Creek	WM.M. BROWN, S. Gardner, H.T. Brooks, J. Gaddy.	0	0	12	0	2	1	131	\$1.25
Little Barren	No letter or messenger—No, last yr.							17	
Mt. Pleasant	Henry Reynolds, Wm. Reynolds.	0	0	12	0	2	1	25	\$ .50

Stewarts Creek	Nicholas R. Beck, Wm. M. Holland.	0	1	3	0	0	0	47	\$1.00
Mt. Vernon	J. Haynes, W.D. Lair, J.A. Haynes.	3	0	0	0	2	2	37	\$ .75
Siloam	<i>Gideon Tennison</i> , J. Scott, R. Bibb.	6	1	1	0	0	0	68	\$1.00
Liberty	M. Tucker, J. Burnet, W. Burk.	1	0	2	0	0	0	36	\$1.00
Columbia	DANL.S. COLGAN, Peter T. Conover.	0	1	0	0	0	0	35	\$ .75
East Fork	J.Y. Browning, Wm. Eastes.	3	4	0	0	0	0	27	\$ .87
Dover	W. Nox, J. McCabbin, J. Turner.	5	2	0	0	6	1	75	\$1.00
Salem	J. CHANDLER, J.B. Holland, S. Montgomery.	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>\$1.00</u>
		44	35	42	2	24	22	1527	\$21.93

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3<sup>rd</sup>. Elders John Harding and Horatio Chandler chosen, the former Moderator, and the latter Clerk.

4<sup>th</sup>. Corresponding letters called for; such as were received were read, and the Messengers invited to seats.

First. From South District, no Letter or Messenger.

Second. From Stockton's Valley, no Letter or Messenger.

Third. From Salem, H. W. Thomas.

Fourth. From Green River, A.M. Barrett, R.W. Garret, Jacob Locke and J. Mayfield.

Fifth. From South Concord, Matthew Floyd.

5<sup>th</sup>. The Circular Letter called for, and referred to the Committee of arrangement, thereafter to be appointed for inspection.

6<sup>th</sup>. Next Association to be held at Brush Creek meeting house, Green County, Ky, on the last Saturday in August, 1836.

7<sup>th</sup>. The rule, respecting the places of holding the Associations, as contained in the seventh item of the Saturday's business of last Association, as rescinded, and the rule on that subject revived, as before that period.

8<sup>th</sup>. Brethren Johnston Graham, Gabriel M. Buckner, Anthony Garnet, Ignatius Hazle and John Scott, with the Moderator and Clerk, appointed a Committee of Arrangement, to arrange the \_\_\_\_\_ed business of the Association, and report on Monday.

9<sup>th</sup>. Brethren Joseph C. Woodson and Clayton Miller, appointed a Committee to prepare letters to corresponding Associations.

10<sup>th</sup>. Appointed Elder Jacob Locke, Matthew Floyd, John Harding and Wm. M. Brown, to preach tomorrow, worship to commence at 10 o'clock.

11<sup>th</sup>. Adjourned until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>, 1835.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Association met and proceeded

1<sup>st</sup>. To call for the report of the Committee of Arrangement, which was read, received, and the Committee discharged.

2<sup>nd</sup>. The Circular letter, written by Elder John Harding, having been examined by the Committee to whom it was referred, read and received.

3<sup>rd</sup>. The time of holding the Association altered to the last Saturday in August.

4<sup>th</sup>. The Association decline appointing annual meetings, but recommend destitute churches, or neighborhoods, to set up protracted meetings and endeavor to procure preachers to attend them.

5<sup>th</sup>. Corresponding Letters read, approved, and Messengers appointed to bear them.

First, to South District, Nicholar R. Beck, Jesse Garland and John Burnet, which is to be held Friday before the third Saturday in August, 1836, at McCormack's Lincon [sec] County, Ky.

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Second. To Stockton's Valley, no Messengers are sent, or Letter.

Third. To Salem, John Harding, Horatio Chandler, Joseph C. Woodson, David Miller, Johnston Graham, T.W. Edwards, Harley Smith and Wm. M. Brown, which is to be held at Nolynn meeting house, Hardin county, Ky. on Friday before the first Saturday in October 1835.

Fourth. To Green River, John Scott, H. Chandler, Z. Worley, J. B. Yeates, D.S. Colgan, G. Tennison, J. Turner, W.M. Crawley, and D. Caldwell, which is to be held at the Three Springs, Barren county, Ky, second Saturday in August, 1836.

Fifth. To South Concord, Anthony Garnet, W.D. Lair and Jasper A. Haynes; which is to be held at Bethel meeting house, Wayne County, Ky. first Saturday in Oct. 1835.

6<sup>th</sup>. Collected \$21.93.-- \$15 of which is paid for printing the minutes and Circular of this Association -- \$5 is retained by the Clerk as Superintendant, so that there remains in his hands, \$1.93.

7<sup>th</sup>. Appointed Horatio Chandler to write the Circular Letter for next year, and William Noe, to preach the introductory discourse, and in case of failure, Daniel S. Colgan to preach.

8<sup>th</sup>. Appointed H. Chandler to superintend printing the minutes. – He is to get 200 copies printed. To deposit with Bro. Scott in Greensburg, 703, for distribution among the churches, according to their contributions to distribute the remaining 50 among corresponding Associations and retain \$5 for his services.

9<sup>th</sup>. The Association adjourned, until Association in course; last Saturday in August, 1836, 11 o'clock A.M.

JOHN HARDING, Moderator.

HORATIO CHANDLER, Clerk.

Note. There are in this Association, 12 ordained preachers, (to wit:) John Chandler, William Burbridge, John Ingram, Johnston Graham, John Harding, Wm. H. Thomas. Wm. Noe, Wm. M. Brown, D. S. Colgan, N. Wilson, Zachariah Worley, and Horatio Chandler, Also four Licentiates: Gideon Tennison, William Slinker, David Miller and John Miller. Baptized during the last Associational year 44 – whole No. 1527 – deceased 38 – Churches 23. Times of holding Association, last Saturdays in August. For the year 1836 to be held at Brush Creek meeting house, Green county, Ky.

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11<sup>th</sup>. Adjourned until Association in course, 11 o'clock, A.M.

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*[followed by the Circular Letter]*