

# Early Minutes of the Russell's Creek Association of Baptists 1836 - 1841

1836 (Printer's Notes)

Minutes of the Thirty-Second Russell's Creek Association of United Baptists, held at Brush Creek Meeting-house, in Green County, Ky, On the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> days of August, 1836.

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The Circular Letter, written by B. Chandler, having been examined by the Committee to whom it was referred, received unanimously, with the exception of one dissenting voice.

Collected 23 66, for printing Minutes and Circular Letter.

Appointed Elder Zachariah Worley to write the next Circular Letter and Elder John Harding to preach the introductory discourse, and Elder Johnson Graham, his alternate.

Appointed Elder D.S. Colgan to superintend the printing of the Minutes and Circular Letter. He is to get 800 copies printed, 750 of which are to be distributed among the Churches according to their contributions and deposited with brother Aaron Harding in Greensburg, and the remaining 50 copies for the use of Corresponding Associations.

(from an unidentified newspaper clipping:

*The RUSSELL'S CREEK ASSOCIATION held its 32<sup>d</sup> session at Brush Creek Meeting House, Green County, KY. on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> days of August last. Introductory discourse by Elder D. S. Colgan. Elder John Harding moderator and Elder H. Chandler clerk.*

*Churches-25. Grand total 1498. Baptized the last year, 50. Ordained ministers—John Chandler, W. Burbridge, J. Ingram, J. Graham, J. Harding, W.H. Thomas, W. Noe, W. M. Brown, D.S. Colgan, N. Wilson, Z. Worley, A. St. Clair, and H. Chandler – 13. Licentiates, G. Tenerson, D. Miller and J. Miller – 3. Among the business transacted, was a resolution passed, that the district occupied by the Association, should be laid off into four sections and that \_\_\_ annually a protracted meeting should be held in each section except that in which the subsequent Association may be held; and that the ministers to attend those meetings be appointed by the Association.—*

*“Resolved, That this Association recommend to the members belonging to the several churches of this body, to sustain the objects of the American and Foreign Bible Society.” The next annual meeting to be held at Columbia, Adair County, Ky., on the last Saturday in August, 1837.*

1837 (Printer's Notes)

MINUTES of the Thirty-third Russell's Creek Association of United Baptists, held at Columbia, Adair County, Ky, On the 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> days of August, 1837.

The Introductory Discourse was preached by Elder John Harding.

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14. Collected \$27 43, for printing Minutes and Circular Letter, which sum with \$5.63, a balance now in the hands of D.S. Colgan, makes the whole amount in his hands, \$33 09.

15. D.S. Colgan, appointed to superintend printing the Minutes and Circular Letter. He is to get 1000 copies printed. They are to be deposited with Brother A. Harding of Greensburgh, to whom the Churches can apply. 60 copies are to be retained to distribute among Corresponding Associations.

1838 (Printer's Notes)

MINUTES Of The Thirty-Fourth, Russell's Creek Association of UNITED BAPTISTS, Held With The Church, At Three Forks Of Bacon Creek, Hart County, Ky, On the 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> days of August, 1838. The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder D. S. Colgan, from Thomas VIII chapter and 9<sup>th</sup> verse, "If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his."

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9. Collected \$27.50 for printing Minutes of the present Association.

10. H. Chandler is appointed to superintend printing the Minutes; he is to get 1000 copies printed, of which number the Moderator and Clerk are to retain 50 copies to distribute among corresponding Associations, and the 850 copies are to be apportioned among the Churches according to their contributions, and deposited with Brother Aaron Bardth, in Greensburgh, for the reception of the Churches.

11. Agreed that \$10.62, in the hands of Bro. D.S. Colgan, (belonging to the Association) be placed in the hands of Bro. J.L. Burrows, agent of the "Roberts Fund and China Mission Society," to aid in purchasing a Press to be used in printing the Scriptures in the Chinese language.

1839 (Printer's Notes)

MINUTES Of The Thirty-Fifth, Russell's Creek Association of UNITED BAPTISTS, Held With The Mount Vernon Church, Russell County, Ky, On Saturday the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1839, and days following. The Introductory discourse was delivered by H. Chandler, from Psalm 133 first verse, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is, for brethren to dwell together in unity."

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10<sup>th</sup>. Collected \$28.20 for printing these Minutes, which with \$ 2.50 in the hands of the Clerk from Association of 1838, make \$30.70 in his hands.

11<sup>th</sup>. H. Chandler is appointed to superintend printing the Minutes – He is directed to get 1000 copies printed, and after reserving 50 copies for distribution among Corresponding Association by himself and the Moderator, he is to apportion them among the Churches according to their contributions. To deposit them with brethren Thomas & Worley, in Greenburgh, for the reception of the Churches, and retain in his hands \$5.00 for his services.

1840 (Printer's Notes)

MINUTES Of The Thirty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Russell's Creek Association of UNITED BAPTISTS, Held With The Rolling Fork Church, Hardin County, Ky, On the 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> days of August, 1840. Printed at the office of he Baptist Banner. 1840.

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18<sup>th</sup>. Ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing the Minutes. He is directed to get 1,000 copies printed; and after reserving fifty copies for distribution among sister associations, he is to apportion them among the churches according to their contributions.

1841 (Printer's Notes)

MINUTES Of The Thirty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Russel's [sic] Creek Association of UNITED BAPTISTS, Held With Mount Olivet Church, Green County, Kentucky, On the 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30th days of August, 1841. Greensburg, Ky, Printed by William Orr.

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14<sup>th</sup>. Ordered that the Articles of General Union of Baptists be printed with the Minutes.

15<sup>th</sup>. J. Harding, appointed to write the next Circular Letter.

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18<sup>th</sup> Resolved, That the Clerk be instruct3ed to obtain if possible, a Copy of each years minutes of this association since its organization, and have them bound: and that he purchase a book for future records.

19<sup>th</sup>. The Clerk was appointed to superintend the printing the Minutes. He is to have a thousand copies printed; and after reserving 100 copies for distribution among Sister Associations, he is to proportion them among the churches according to their contributions.