

MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Northern New Salem
Association
of Old Regular Baptist
of Jesus Christ



In Session Assembled With
Little Rebecca Church
August 2, 3, 4, 1991

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**Dedication to the memory
of the Late Elders,
Brothers and Sisters of the
Northern New Salem Association**

We wish to dedicate this the 34th Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association to the memories of our beloved Elders, Brothers and Sisters, who have departed since our last setting. We can console ourselves with the hope that we shall someday meet our loved ones in the bright happier land above, where peace will have no end, and sorrow shall never come.

Your servants,
Bro. Newsome
Bro. Turner

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PROCEEDINGS

Of The
Thirty-Fourth Annual Session of the
Northern New Salem Association of Old Regular Baptist
The Church of Jesus Christ

August 2, 3, 4, 1991

Friday Session, August 2, 1991

Assembling together from distances far and near were the Brothers, Sisters and many friends of this grand old association. Being organized on these grounds thirty-four years ago, brought back memories of those who stood strong and fought the battles. Enduring many trials and heartaches, all for the cause of Christ. Singing songs of Zion, greeting each other with love and happiness in seeing each other again. Being a part of this Old Church is oh! such a blessing.

Being submissive to the will of last year's Association, Eld. Hillard Newsome-Alternate, came forward to bring up the services of this our thirty-fourth annual session of the Northern New Salem Association. Admonishing men and women to continue on in their pursuit for that better land. Bro. Newsome was wonderfully blessed to lift us above our worldly cares and look for his coming. Bro. Newsome led in a prayer for unity and love, asking God's blessings on every delegate for peace and strength. Thankful for our Grand Old Association.

Eld. C.W. Turner
Assistant Clerk

Coming before the congregation with gladness in his heart was Eld. Larry Newsome to deliver the introductory sermon. Preaching from the 53rd chapter and 2nd verse of Isaiah "For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground; he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him." Eld. Newsome preached how the devil would tempt and bluff us, but God is always near and able to keep his children.

Introductory sermon being delivered, Eld. Roy Caudill-Moderator invited the delegates to assemble at the house to conduct the business of this the 34th Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association. Those who were not delegates to remain at the place provided for the preaching service.

One of Zion's songs being sung, Eld. Ellis Holbrooks, New Salem, was blessed to preach of the goodness and mercies of God. A humble prayer was offered by Eld. George Baker-Old Friendship.

Eld. Roy Caudill, Moderator, came forward and announced that the 34rd Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association was now in working order.

Friday, August 2, 1991

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 by Eld. Larry Newsome, second by Eld. Billy Miller. The letter from the Little Rebecca Church was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Eld. Buford Brock, second by Eld. Ray Hamilton to receive 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. The following Elders were appointed to take the vote: Elders: Grover Adkins, Edwin Hay and Arvid Blevins.
Officers elected:
Moderator Eld. Roy Caudill
Assistant Moderator Eld. Paris C. Tackitt
Clerk Eld. Hillard Newsome
Assistant Clerk Eld. C. W. Turner
- (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. The committee appointed consisted of Elders Ray Hamilton, Ralph Caudill and Hiram Adkins.
3. By a motion made by Eld. Ray Hamilton, second by Eld. Don Gibson, the Moderator was authorized to make all temporary appointments.
4. On motion by Eld. Birtchel Mosley, Jr., second by Henry Hobson, reading of the Constitution, Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum were omitted.
5. Called for legally organized 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 by letter and delegate.
(a) **New Salem** - Represented by the following delegates: Forest D. Hall, Ronald McCarty, Troy Beverly, Woodrow Dye, Vester Mullins, Don Adkins, Walter Akers, Grover Adkins, Curtis Hall, Hiram Adkins, Talmadge Hicks, Monroe Jones, Ellis Holbrooks, Lee Fields, Jimmy Waddles, Johnny Thornsberry, Roger D. Hicks, Rodney Johnson, Woody Pack, Clinton Williams, James Swiger, Delmar Williams, Calvin Burks, Jene Mullins and Cletis Messer. Letter in the hands of Eld. Walter Akers. A motion was made by Eld. Johnny Bentley second by Eld. Squire Hamilton to receive their letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

- (b) **Union** - Represented by the following delegates: Arvid Blevins, Estil Hamilton, Floyd Jude, Earl Hill, Charles Tackett, Clyde Blankenship, Marvin Hall, Alex Collier, Savel Combs, Jason Lowery, Gary Sanders, Lloyd Hall, Paul Coleman, Bill Isom, Jene Johnson, Thomas Thacker, Herman West, Jr. Hall and Jacob Deel. Letter in the hands of Eld. Arvid Blevins. A motion was made by Eld. Robert Wallen, second by Eld. Palmer Hamilton, to receive their letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.
- (c) **Philadelphia** - Represented by the following delegates: Harlan Barney, Lowell Adkins, Paul Morrison, Douglas Colegrove, Luther H. Ramey, Jr., Walter Morrison, Howard Adkins, Ira A. Adkins, Jr., Jacob Seagraves, Paul Boggs, Willis Tolliver and Wayne Caudill. Letter in the hands of Bro. Douglas Colegrove. A motion was made by Eld. Ray Hamilton, second by Bro. Darrell Parks, to receive their letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.
- (d) **Sardis** - Represented by the following delegates: Edwin Hay, Billy Williamson, James Gannon, Donnie Brown, Hobart Hamilton, James Barney, Chester Cochran, Richard Staton, Robert Clay, Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Paul Moor, Julius Cochran, W. H. Hale, K. H. Williamson and G. K. Jerrell. Letter in the hands of Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr. A motion was made by Bro. Dan Thornsberry, second by Bro. Emery Bartley, to receive their letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.
- (e) **Old Friendship** - Represented by the following delegates: Elzie Reed, Danny Hurley, Bobby Matney, Jr. Coleman, Howard Sliger, George Baker, Ferrel Scarberry, Orville and Sherman Street, Perry Hagerman, Lacy Justice, Ray Lester, Roger McCoy, John R. Justice and Wallace Mitchell. Letter in the hands of Bro. Wallace Mitchell. A motion was made by Eld. Buford Brock, second by Bro. Leonard Robinson to receive their letter and seat the delegates with us in council. They were given the right hand of fellowship.

Called for legally organized Associations of our same faith and order desiring to join our union and the following responded.

Old Indian Bottom Association (Murl Caudill side). Presented a letter asking for correspondence with the Northern New Salem Association. Represented by the following delegates: Haston Whitaker, Delmar Jones, Arnold Whitaker, Ronnie Combs, Melvin Fields, Murl Caudill, Eulas Caudill, Arvil Mullins and Paul Back. Letter in the hands of Eld. Arnold Whitaker. A motion was made by Eld. Johnie Bentley, second by Bro. Emery Bartley to receive their letter and refer it to the committee on the Bill of Arrangements, and the Brethern of the Old Indian Bottom, along with our delegates and our corresponding delegates be given the right to speak on the matter concerning correspondence.

7. The Moderator appointed a committee consisting of the 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) Estil Hamilton - Union, (2) Monroe Jones, (3) Roger Hicks - both of New Salem. Saturday morning — Elders: (1) Lacy Justice - Old Friendship, (2) Paul Boggs - Philadelphia, (3) Monroe Jones - New Salem, (4), Edwin Hay - Sardis and (5) Ellis Holbrooks - New Salem.
8. Called for transient ministers and members of our same faith and order and the following responded: Conley Daniels, Jim Oakley, Dewey Sturgill, Don Lawson, Benny Sturgill, E. B. Hicks, Doug McCarty, Melton Dye and Hayes Chaffins.
9. A motion was made by Eld. Robert Wallen second by Henry Hobson that we the Northern New Salem Association correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations and the Clerk prepare the letters to our Sister Associations: (a) New Salem, (b) Union, (c) Philadelphia, (d) Sardis, (e) Old Friendship. Also the Old Indian Bottom (Murl Caudill side) depending on the agreement or outcome of the Committee on Arrangements.
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 2 p.m. Friday evening.
 - (a) On motion by Eld. Ralph Caudill, second by Eld. Hendricks Hampton, the Association adjourned until 9 a.m. Saturday morning, August 3, 1991.
 - (b) Committee met pursuant to adjournment Friday noon and completed its work on the Bill of Arrangements. The services for Friday evening were introduced by (1) Eld. Estil Hamilton - Union, (2) Monroe Jones and (3) Roger Hicks - both of New Salem.

Saturday, August 3, 1991

The delegates met pursuant to adjournment Friday evening at the house to continue the work of the Association. Assembling together were the faithful ones of the Old Regular Baptist faith and order. Singing the inspiring songs of Zion, after which Eld. Willis Tolliver of the Philadelphia Association introduced the services and offered a warm uplifting prayer.

1. Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees.
2. The Bill of Arrangements was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Eld. Ray Hamilton, second by Bro. Dan Thornsberry to receive the Bill of Arrangements and discharge the committee.

3. The Circular Letter written by Elder Maynard Ratliff for our 1991 Session was read by him. A motion was made by Eld. Ralph Caudill, second by Bro. Darrel Parks to receive the letter and have it printed in our 1991 minutes. By the same motion, Eld. Buford Brock was chosen to write a Circular Letter, subject to approval at our 1992 session.
4. The finance committee appointed Friday, Item 2a consisting of Elders: Ray Hamilton, Hiram Adkins and Ralph Caudill reported as follows:

1991 Church contributions	\$5,080.00
1990 Picture contributions	375.00
Other contributions	0
Total money received for 1991	\$5,455.00

 A motion was made by Eld. Don Gibson, second by Bro. Gillis Hamilton to accept the report of the finance committee and discharge them of their duties.
5. The Moderator called for the treasurer, Bro. Newsome to give his report as follows:

A. Treasurer Report

Balance August 1, 1990	\$ 364.25
1990 Church contributions	4,425.00
1990 Picture contributions	480.00
Other contributions	537.00
Total money on hand August 5, 1990	\$5,806.25
Received from churches to replenish Association treasury	1,415.00
Total	\$7,221.25

B. Expenses for 1990

Printer's fee	\$5,838.00
Secretary's fee	200.00
Postage U.P.S. freight	189.69
Able Quality Printing, 100 Credentials Cards	31.75
Total expenses for 1990	\$6,259.44
Total of A	\$7,221.25
Less Total of B	6,259.44
	\$ 961.81
Credit for 215 copies of 1990 minutes at \$1.25 each	268.75
Interest earned on Savings Account	74.87
Balance August 1, 1991	\$1,305.43
Plus money received for 1991	\$5,455.00
Total money on hand August 4, 1991	\$6,760.43
Money sent to the Little Rebecca Church from the Northern New Salem Churches to help host our beloved Association	\$6,945.00

6. A motion was made by Eld. Johnie Bentley, second by Eld. Buford Brock to accept the treasurer's report. By the same motion Hillard Newsome was appointed recording secretary. He is to have 4,500 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. Bro. Jimmy D. Parks made a motion, second by Bro. Leonard Robinson that obituaries of deceased members and friends of the Northern New Salem Association be printed in the current minutes. They are to be typewritten and double spaced. A charge of \$12.00 for pictures was approved by the delegates.
8. The following ministers were chosen by the committee to preach Saturday evening and Sunday. Saturday evening: Elders: (1) Don Adkins - New Salem, (2) Herman West - Union, (3) Delmar Williams - New Salem and (4) Willis Tolliver - Philadelphia. Sunday morning: Elders: (1) Hillard Newsome, (2) Wayne Turner - both of Northern New Salem, (3) Woody Pack - New Salem and (4) Roy Caudill - Northern New Salem.
9. On motion by Bro. Gillis Hamilton, second by Eld. Billy Miller, the report of the Elders attending Union Meetings and Associations for the year 1990 and 1991 was omitted.
10. In compliance with item #9 of Friday's work, we the Northern New Salem Association agreed to correspond by letter and delegate with the following associations.
 - (a) **New Salem** — When convened with the host churches. To be held at the Association Building, Minnie, Floyd County, Ky. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 1991 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: John Mullins, Sam Franks, Milton Dye, Mike Slone, David Slone, Conley Daniels, Kilby Deel, Don Lawson, Hardwick Ratliff, Raymond Stapleton, Ray Hamilton, Stony Blackburn, Larry Newsome, Dewey Sturgill, E. B. Hicks, Hargis Tuttle, Roy Caudill, Wayne Turner and Hillard Newsome. Letter in the hands of Eld. Milton Dye.
 - (b) **Union** — When convened with the host churches. To be held at the Association Building, Ash Camp, Pike County, Ky. Beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September 1991 and continuing the two days. Delegates to attend: Bart Potter, Emory Bartley, David Slone, Kilby Deel, Hardwick Ratliff, Conley Daniels, Ernest Owens, Hobart Justice, John Jude, Stony Blackburn, Larry Newsome, Hargis Tuttle, Paris Tackitt and John Mullins. Letter in the hands of Eld. Paris Tackitt.
 - (c) **Philadelphia** — When convened with the New Mount Olive Church, at the Association Building, Worthington, Ky. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August 1991 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Bart Potter, Milton Dye, Buford Brock

Mike Slone, Kilby Deel, Hardwick Ratliff, Conley Daniels, Ray Hamilton, Sam Franks, Raymond Stapleton, Don Lawson, Joshua Hicks, John Jude, Dewey Sturgill, Hargis Tuttle, John Mullins, Wayne Turner, Hillard Newsome, Dan Thornsberry and Roy Caudill. Letter in the hands of Bro. John Mullins.

- (d) **Sardis** — When convened with the Sardis Church, Delbarton, Mingo County, W. Va. Beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September 1991 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Bart Potter, John Jude, Floyd Jude, Stony Blackburn, Larry Newsome, Hargis Tuttle and Paris C. Tackitt. Letter in the hands of Elder Stony Blackburn.
 - (e) **Old Friendship** — When convened with the Little Dove Church, Hurley, Va. Beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August 1991 and continuing the two following days. Delegates to attend: Bart Potter, Buford Brock, Woodrow Thacker, Hargis Tuttle, Hillard Newsome and Roy Caudill. Letter in the hands of Eld. Hillard Newsome.
11. A motion was made by Eld. Larry Newsome, second by Bro. Mike Hiatt to grant the request of the Little Ida Church, Requesting that we change the way a brother is chosen to write the Circular Letter. Effective at our 1992 session the brother chosen to write the Circular Letter will be by secret vote of the delegates present.
 12. A motion was made by Eld. Buford Brock, second by Bro. Henry Hobson to grant the request of the Little Ida Church, Requesting that the name of Bro. Ronald Scott be removed from the list of ordained authorities as he has been excluded from said church. In the same motion the request from the Little Zion Church was granted. Requesting the names of Larry Hankins and Morris Bryant be removed from the list of ordained authorities as they have been excluded from said church.
 13. On motion by Eld. Larry Newsome, second by Eld. Glen Maddox the request from the Little Flock Church was denied. Requesting changing item #16 in our 1990 minutes. Concerning receiving members with more than one living companion. An objection was filed by Bro. Dan Thornsberry. 50 voted in favor of the motion, 7 opposed. Motion carried.
 14. In reference to the letter from the Murl Caudill side of the Old Indian Bottom Association concerning correspondence with we the Northern New Salem Association. Eld. Ray Hamilton made a motion, second by Bro. Gillis Hamilton, that a committee be appointed to meet with a committee appointed by our sister Associations to try and bring about a peaceful correspondence with the Old Indian Bottom Association. Committee appointed: Roy Caudill, Paris C. Tackitt, Ralph Caudill, Ray Hamilton, Larry Newsome, Robert Wallen, Russell Hicks, Danny Adams and Buddy W. Carty. It was also agreed that we send a request to our corresponding Associations, asking them to appoint a committee.

15. Eld. Don Gibson made a motion, second by Eld. Elmer Edwards to grant the request from the Pleasant View Church granting them the privilege of hosting the 35th Annual Session of this blessed Old Association.
16. By a vote of the delegates, Eld. Roy Caudill was chosen to preach the introductory sermon at our 1992 Session and Eld. John Paul Hamilton is to be his alternate.
17. Eld. Robert Wallen made a motion, second by Eld. Buddy W. Carty that we send a note of condolence to our sister Associations and also remember our deceased Elders and members.
18. Eld. Jr. Mosley made a motion, second by Eld. Ralph Caudill to omit reading of the current minutes.
19. On motion by Eld. Ralph Caudill, second by Eld. Buford Brock it was agreed that we the Northern New Salem Association adjourn until the 1st Friday in August 1992, at the Pleasant View Church, Litchfield, Ohio.
Eld. Herman West from the Union Association gave words of wisdom and good advice, bringing to a close the 34th Annual Session of the Northern New Salem Association. A humble prayer was offered by Eld. West.

Done and signed by order of the Association.

Elder Roy Caudill Moderator
Elder Paris C. Jackitt Ass't. Moderator
Elder Hillard Newsome Clerk
Elder Cobern Wayne Turner Ass't. Clerk

I have searched, I have looked, but yet I can't find words to express our appreciation for a job well done. To the Little Rebecca and Family of Love churches, along with the members of our sister churches, the many friends and loved ones in the villages, towns and cities around the Plymouth area "THANKS". On hinges of Love, your doors opened, inviting one and all in to rest awhile, have a meal, stay over night and make yourself at home.

In Campers Village were so many in their little homes on wheels. Bringing a helping hand, filled with food, love, joy and smiles. To brighten our way and causing one to say, "you are the neighbor I would love to live by." Thanks for the \$75.00 you left the Little Rebecca Church, showing your love and appreciation. Look for you in '92 at Pleasant View.

Our love and prayers as you roll along.

Humbly your servant,
 Bro. Newsome — Clerk

Sabbath Morning, August 4, 1991

Arising early to a beautiful morning were pilgrims, both young and old, filling the sanctuary of the Little Rebecca Church to worship God in his love and spirit. Singing songs of praise to the God of our salvation, causing one to be thankful to be one in the number of God's people bound for the promise land.

Services for the morning were introduced by your unworthy servant Eld. Hillard Newsome - prayer by same.

Second on the stand was Eld. C. W. Turner - Assistant Clerk.

Third - Eld. Wood Pack - New Salem.

Fourth - Eld. Danny Adams - so humble, Northern New Salem.

Our beloved moderator Eld. Roy Caudill offered an humble prayer of dismissal. Bringing to a close another session of this grand old Association.

Live humble, pray for each other, let brotherly love continue until we meet again.

I love you,

Bro. Newsome — Clerk

1991 Circular Letter

To the brothers and sisters of the Northern New Salem Association. Being chosen at last years session to write the Circular Letter for your approval or rejection. After much prayer and meditation the word love keeps coming to my mind and when I define it, it leads into all things concerning God.

John 4:7-11 says beloved let us love one another for love is of God and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God: for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us; because that God sent his only begotten son into the world that we might live through him.

Herein is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us, and sent his son to be the propitiation for our sins.

If God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear. He that loveth not his brother whom he has seen how can he love God whom he has not seen.

John 13: 34-35 says: A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this shall all men know you are my disciples.

Surely, love is that great bond between the brothers and sisters, the churches and associations.

A pharasee asked Jesus a question saying which is the great commandment in the law. Jesus said thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment and the second is like unto it. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two hangs all the law and the Prophets. If we keep these two commandments, we will fulfill all the law and what is required of us as his children.

John 3:16-17 says; God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son into the world that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life; for God sent not his son in to world to condemn the world but that the world through him might be saved.

Gelations 5:22 speaks of the fruit of the spirit as love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance; against such there is no law. It is that great love that we are born of, and I feel that the children of God has this kind of spirit abiding in them.

Jesus talking to his disciples said; greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends, Ye are my friends if you do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth, I call you not servants for the servant knoweth not what his Lord doeth; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

You have not chosen me but I have chosen you and ordained you that you should go and bring forth fruit; and that your fruit should remain; that whatsoever ye shall ask of the father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you that you love one another.

I Corinthians 13:1-6;13 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains and have not charity, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long and is kind, charity envieth not, is not puffed up doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil.

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but, rejoiceth in the truth.

And now abideth Faith, Hope, and Charity, these three, but the greatest of these is charity.

Let us always remember that the God that loves us, loves the little sinner boy and girl, also. By my love and kindness have I drawn thee sayeth the Lord. Jesus said before his departure; while I'm in the world, I am the light. I go away and you are the light. Ye, are as a city set on a hill, cannot be hid. By showing forth our love and kindness to one another and to sinner boys and girls, we can perhaps draw them in the way we want them to walk. Our children are listening and watching to what we do and say. Let us be careful what we do and say when we are together that they would want to follow in our footsteps.

May God bless and keep each one of you, and He will if you do his will.

Your Unworthy Brother,
Elder Maynard Ratliff

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

NORTHERN NEW 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 them 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 deviates 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 the 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 of the 1611 Authorized King James version of the Bible are the written words of God, and the only rules of Faith and practice.

2nd Peter, 1:21, 2nd Tim. 3:16

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

Acts 15:11, Titus 2:11

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. 3:6, 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 Tim. 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 Tim. 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. 3:13-16, John 1:31-33, 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.

Matt. 26:26-29, Mar 14:22-25, Luke 22:20, John 13:7-8, 1st Tim. 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. 15:51-53, Luke 24:46

ARTICLE 10. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances and commands of the gospel, except such as are regular baptised, 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 13:2-3, Romans 1:6, Titus 1:5-9

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, Acts 8:16-21, Romans 16:17-18, Eph. 4:14-15, Gal. 1:8-10

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 us a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the gospel.

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, Ch. 22:21-22, Luke 1:33

ARTICLE 15. None of the 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 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 decorum.

ARTICLE 11. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Moderator 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 reprovved by the Association as they think proper.

UNION MEETINGS AND MINISTERS CALLED FOR THE YEAR 1992

April

PLEASANT VIEW — First in April. Covis Tackett, Roger Hicks, Curtis Hall, Woodrow Dye, Ray Hamilton, Jimmy Dye.

ROSE OF SHARON — Second in April. Woody Pack, Hillard Newsome, Ellis Holbrook, Estill Hamilton, Hobart Hamilton, Richard Staton.

May

MAGGIE'S HOME — First in May. Hiram Adkins, Squire Hamilton, Don Blake Little, David Slone, Buford Brock, James Branham.

LITTLE IDA — First in May. Urshel Huff, Woody Pack, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Karrel Addington, Floyd Jude.

LITTLE FLOSSIE — First in May. Buddy Carty, Don Gibson, Roy Caudill, Buford Brock, Karrel Addington, Joshua Hicks, Danny Adams, Don Lawson, Ivory Sowards, Doug McCarty.

ANTIOCH — First in May. Willis Tolliver, Buddy Carty, Paul Vance, Morris Wicker, Danny Adams, Squire Hamilton, Russell Hicks, Scott Hamilton, Gary Compton, Danny Carty.

LITTLE RUTH — Second in May. James Branham, Kennis Robinson, Milton Dye, Jerry Manns, Jimmy Hall, Lloyd Ray.

LITTLE ZION — Second in May. Arvid Blevins, Larry Newsom, Buford Brock, Danny Runyon, Evan Hamilton, Scott Hamilton, Earl Hill.

LILY OF THE VALLEY — Third in May. Johny Newsome, Orvel Hamilton, Estil Hamilton, Kennis Robinson, Hobart Justice, Karrel Addington, Roy Caudill, Charles Newsome, Hargis Tuttle, Paris Tackitt,

LITTLE CHILDREN'S HOME — Third in May. Bill Dunbar, Hargis Tuttle, Johnie Bentley, Danny Adams, C.W. Turner, Doug McCarty.

MORNING STAR — Third in May. Scott Hamilton, Larry Newsome, Ivory Sowards, Paris Tackitt.

MACEDONIA — Third in May. Ollie Tackitt, Junior Ruggles, Frank Cotton, Burl Sturgill, Stanley Roar.

June

MT. ZION — First in June. Charles Nitchie, Ellis Holbrook, Kenny Robinson, Jerry Manns, Gary Compton, Robert Haney, Bill Staton.

LITTLE BETHEL — First in June. Paris Tackitt, Karrel Addington, Kennis Robinson, Danny Adams, Squire Hamilton, Morris Wicker, Jackie Yates.

LITTLE POLLY — Second in June. Hillard Newsome, Karrel Addington, C. W. Turner, Doug McCarty, Russell Hicks, Squire Hamilton.

LITTLE PILGRIM'S HOME — Second in June. Edwin Hay, Johnie Bentley, Danny Adams, Ralph Caudill, Karrel Addington, Russell Hicks, Buddy Carty, Roy Caudill, Hillard Newsome.

LITTLE FAMILY — Second in June. Hargis Tuttle, Ked Adkins, Danny Carty, Billy Miller, Danny Adams, Wayne Turner, James Watts.

LITTLE REBECCA — Third in June. Edwin Hay, Danny Adams, Hillard Newsom, Terry Hall, Russell Hicks, Morris Wicker, Felden Ruggles, Jr., Wayne Turner, Paris Tackitt.

LITTLE EDNA — Fourth in June. Covis Tackett, Karrel Addington, Scott Hamilton, Russell Hicks, Estil Hamilton, Edwin Hay, Hiram Adkins, Ralph Caudill.

MT. OLIVET — Fourth in June. Hillard Newsome, C. W. Turner, Estil Hamilton, Danny Hamilton, Hobert Hamilton, Doug McCarty.

FAMILY OF LOVE — Fourth in June. Karrel Addington, Woody Pack, Edwin Hay, Junior Ruggles, Hillard Newsome, Wayne Turner.

July

LITTLE FLOCK — Third in July. Roy Caudill, Monroe Jones, Feldon Ruggles, Rich Griffith, Danny Adams, Morris Wicker.

LITTLE ANGEL — Fourth in July. Jimmy Dye, Danny Adams, Roger Hicks, Ivory Sowards, Woody Pack.

August

TRUE VINE — Third in August. Frank Harvey, Karrell Addington, Roger Hicks, Milton Dye, Jessie Pack.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS

Little Rebecca — Third in August. Buddy W. Carty, Ralph Caudill, Donel Gibson, Karrell Addington, Hargis Tuttle, Hiram Adkins.

Maggie's Home — First in June. Palmer Hamilton, Ivory Sowards, Sam Franks, Edwin Hay, Don Lawson, Savel Combs.

Little Polly — Second in September. All Regular Baptist Ministers welcome.

Mt. Zion — First in September. Savel Combs, Russel Hicks, Ivory Sowards, Karrel Addington, Steve Borders, Terry Hall, Isom Hannah.

Little Flock — Third in June. Leonard Napier, Hobert Hamilton, Hiram Adkins, Russel Hicks, Ray Hamilton, Wendell Hamilton, Ivory Sowards.

Little Ruth — Second in July. Kennis L. Robinson, Danny Adams, Bill Staton, Delmar Williams.

Little Edna — Fourth in August 1991. Squire Hamilton, Mike Slone, Kennis Robinson, Larry Newsome.

Little Ida — First in July. Buford Brock, Danny Adams, Scott Hamilton, Buddy Carty, Moderator and Asst. Moderator.

Little Flossie — First in September. Mosses Griffy, Buddy Carty, Estil Hamilton, Hargis Tuttle.

Little Zion — Second in August. Clifford Maynard, Bill Dunbar, Estil Hamilton, Charles Newsome, Alex Collier, Jesse Viers, Covis Tackett.

Little Pilgrim's Home — Second in August. All orderly Old Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

Mt. Olivet — Fourth in August. Charles Newsome, Danny Adams, Scott Hamilton, Squire Hamilton, Larry Newsome.

Pleasant View — First in June. Evan Hamilton, David Slone, Birtchel Mosely, Jr., Moderator-Assistant Moderator.

Little Family — Second in October 1991. Hillard Newsome, Ralph Caudill, Buddy Carty, Willis Tolliver, Lee Fields.

Little Angel — Fourth in March. Maynard Ratliff, Hillard Newsome, Scott Hamilton, Larry Newsome, Woodrow Dye, Tilton Dye.

Antioch — First in June. Edwin Hay, Roy Caudill, Buford Brock, Hendrix Hampton.

Rose of Sharon — Second in October 1991. Elisha Brahnam, Grover Adkins, Sam Franks, Scott Hamilton, Forest Osborne.

Lily of the Valley — Third in July. Larry Newsome, David Slone, Frank Harvey, Edgar Howell, Walker Howell.

Little Children's Home — Third in September 1992. Ralph Caudill, Billy Miller, Russell Hicks.

Morning Star — Third in July. Hobert Hamilton, Hillard Newsome, Wayne Turner.

Little Bethel — First in September. Elisha Branham, James Branham, Elmer Edwards.

Family of Love — Fourth in October. Danny Adams, Ralph Caudill, Russell Hicks, Leonard Napier, Roger Dale Hicks.

Macedonia — Third in September. Burl Sturgill, Offie Bartley, Jr. Ruggles, Roy Caudill, Orbin May.

True Vine — Third in October. Offie Bartley, Hobert Justice, Hargis Tuttle, Johnie Bentley.

SPECIAL MEMORIALS

Ousley Memorial at Shelby Meeting House — Fourth Saturday and Sunday in June. Edlers Karrel Addington, Johnie Newsome, Squire Hamilton, Monroe Jones, Creed Thomas, Matt Slone, Michel Slone, Larry Newsome. (Mt. Zion Church)

The Marcum's Memorial Service — Fifth Sunday in August, 1992. Brothers called are: Paris Tackitt, Ivory Sowards, Russell Hicks, Junior Ruggles, Willis Tolliver, Edwin Hay. (Little Flock Church)

Sis. Ruth Tackett Memorial — August 29 and 30, 1992, Saturday 6:30 P.M.; Sunday 10 A.M. Ministers called: Danny Adams, Jimmy Hall, Karrell Addington, Woody Pack. (Morning Star Church)

A Fortieth Anniversary Meeting will be held at the Little Ida Church the first weekend in April, 1992. We invite all to come help us make this a commemorative meeting. All ordained ministers invited.

1991
**DELEGATES
 TO THE
 NORTHERN NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION**

Little Rebecca Dan Thornsberry, Malcum Branham, Danny Carty
 Maggie's Home Don Mullins, John Mullins, Harrison Runyon
 Little Polly James Poe, Palmer Hamilton, Richard Griffey
 Mt. Zion Earnie Martin, Mike Slone, Raleigh Ousley
 Little Flock Joshua Hicks, Keith Akers, Raymond Stapleton
 Little Ruth Adron Counts, Kenneth Mullins, Emery Bartley
 Little Edna Elmer Edwards, Hobart Justice, Woodrow Thacker
 Little Ida Ralph Caudill, Billy Miller, Pat Patterson
 Little Flossie Morris Wicker, Russell Hicks, Carlie Tuttle
 Little Zion Glyn Maddox, Rick Akers, Beauford Conn
 Little Pilgrim's Home . . Robert Wallen, Jackie Hunter, Danny Hamilton
 Mt. Olivet Danny Adams, Willis Little, Charles Newsome
 Pleasant View Larry Newsome, Stony Blackburn, Hargus Tuttle
 Little Family Hendrix Hampton, Marvin Potter, Earnie Tuttle
 Little Angel Forest Osborne, Birtchel Mosley, Jr., Ballard Brown
 Antioch Edsel Slone, Milford Prater, Sr., Jimmy Darrell Parks
 Rose of Sharon . . . Ray Hamilton, John Paul Hamilton, Johnie Bentley
 Lily of the Valley Scott Hamilton, Squire Hamilton, Carl Hall
 Little Children's Home Buford Brock, Mike Hiatt, Henry Hobson
 Morning Star Covis Tackett, Gillis Hamilton, Delano Newsome
 Little Bethel Frank Harvey, Earnest Owens, Bill Back
 Family of Love Reed Triplett, Donel Gibson, Buddy W. Carty
 Macedonia Earnest Middleton
 True Vine Leonard Robinson, Mack Adkins, Dempsey Knipp

CHURCH ADDRESSES AND MODERATORS

Church	Address	City, State	Moderator
Little Rebecca	Henry Road, Ph. 419-687-8838	Plymouth, Ohio	Buddy W. Carty
Maggie's Home		Dundas, Ohio	Paris C. Tackitt
Little Polly	19545 Homer Road	Marshall, Mich.	Richard Griffith
Mt. Zion		McGuffey, Ohio	Mike Slone
Little Flock	Route 1	Ray, Ohio	Joshua Hicks
Little Ruth	Route 3	Marengo, Ohio	Maynard Ratliff
Little Edna	5160 Bond Avenue	Lorain, Ohio	David Slone
Little Ida	4060 Drennen Street, Ph. 313-386-9350	Ecorse, Mich.	Ralph Caudill
Little Flossie		Lisbon, Ind.	Richard Griffith
Little Zion	63181 Romeo Plank Road	Romeo, Mich.	Glyn Maddox
Little Pilgrim's Home	Highway 224	Ruggles, Ohio	Robert Wallen
Mt. Olivet	Route 1	Stockbridge, Mich.	Richard Griffith
Pleasant View	3589 Beat Road, Ph. 216-723-5345	Litchfield, Ohio	Larry Newsome
Little Family	S.R. 744, 1 mile west of	Jacksonburg, Ohio	Roy Caudill
Little Angel	5733 Saltgaber Road	Columbus, Ohio	Hiram Adkins
Antioch	10817 Barricks Road	Louisville, Ky.	Hillard Newsome
Rose of Sharon	5665 Carolton-Rockwood	S. Rockwood, Mich.	Ray Hamilton
Lily of the Valley		Geneva, Ohio	Squire Hamilton
Little Children's Home		Laurel, Ind.	Buford Brock
Morning Star	44441 Clay Road	Belleville, Mich.	Covis Tackett
Little Bethel	S.R. 228	Greensprings, Ohio	Frank Harvey
Family of Love		Wyandotte, Ohio	Buddy W. Carty
Macedonia		Grahn, Ky.	Darvin Sturgill
True Vine	7992 Cleveland Mass Road Ph. 216-882-6393	Clinton, Ohio	Kennis L. Robinson

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Little Rebecca

Elder Lon Beverly	45 Bell St., Plymouth, OH 44865	(419) 687-9501
Elder Danny Carty	4265 Southmoor Park, Lexington, KY 40514	(606) 223-2703
Elder Faris Tuttle	Rt. 2, Shiloh, OH 44878	(419) 896-3569
Elder Wriile Tuttle	Rt. 2, Willard, OH 44890	(419) 935-0872

Maggie's Home

Elder Don Mullins	Box 189 Rt. 1, Hamden, OH 45634	(614) 596-4946
Elder Johnny Newsome	6402 Boudoin Ave. Kestone Hts, FL	(904) 473-9206
Elder Harrison Runyon	86 Burr Oak Blvd. Nelsonville, OH 45764	(614) 753-1024
Elder Jerry Runyon	Rt. 4, S.R. 143, Pomery, OH 45769	(614) 992-2687
Elder Paris Tackett	344 3rd St., Beaver, OH 45613	(614) 226-6343

Little Polly

Elder Richard Griffith	19545 Homer Rd., Marshall, Mich. 49068	(616) 781-7771
Elder Palmer Hamilton	18415 L Drive N., Marshall, Mich. 49068	(616) 781-9652

Mt. Zion

Elder Claude Ousley	22 Maple St., Shelby, OH 44875	(419) 394-5146
Elder Michael Slone	80 Bell St., Plymouth, OH 44865	(419) 687-0945
Elder Rufus Slone	224 Defiance St., St. Mary's, OH	(419) 394-5146

Little Flock

Elder Hank Forgey	1443 Centerville Rd., Thurman, OH 45685	(614) 682-6533
Elder Mike Fortner	2476 Centerpoint Rd., Oak Hill, OH 45656	(614) 682-6236
Elder Sam Franks	1412 Jones Rd., Vinton, OH 45686	(614) 388-9009
Elder Joshua Hicks	Rt. 6, Royalton Rd., Lancaster, OH 43130	(614) 969-2988
Elder Okie Kent	032 Hall-Davis Rd., Thurman, OH 45685	(614) 682-6676
Elder Don Lawson	204 2nd St., Box 47, Pleasantville, OH 43148	(614) 468-2203
Elder Raymond Stapleton	Rt. 1, Box 322 Co. Rd. 8, Ewington, OH 45686	(614) 669-5055

Little Ruth

Elder James Curry	Rt. 1, Box 10 - 110 P. Delbarton, W. VA 25670	(304) 475-4058
Elder Maynard Ratliff	PO Box 14, Fulton, OH 43321	(419) 864-2162
Elder Bill Staten	Rt. 1, Co. Rd. 208, Marengo, OH 43334	(419) 253-5906
Elder Newton Vanderpool	142 Sandusky St., Plymouth, OH 44865	(419) 687-5061
Elder Amos Williams	150 Riley St., Newark, OH 43055	(614) 344-1073

Little Edna

Elder Elmer Edwards	888 Cooper Foster Park Rd., Amherst, OH 44001	(216) 988-5875
Elder Hobart Justice	455 Summer St., Sheffield Village, OH 44054	(216) 277-9547
Elder Denver Meade	953 Warwick Dr., Sheffield, OH 44054	(216) 949-6048
Elder Jessie Pack	12620 Grimsly Ave. Cleveland, OH 44135	(216) 251-1825
Elder David Slone	5128 Orchard St., Lorain, OH 44055	(216) 233-5580

Little Ida

Elder Herman Belcher	59 Oak St. River Rouge, MI 48218	(313) 843-3995
Elder Ralph Caudill	1594 Wilson St. Lincoln Pk., MI 48146	(313) 381-3710
Elder Clark Damron	60 Stoner, River Rouge, MI 48218	(313) 841-7137
Elder Billy Miller	672 Cora, Wyandotte, MI 48192	(313) 283-0208
Elder Arthur Mitchell	1712 Electric, Wyandotte, MI 48192	(313) 283-2423

Little Flossie

Elder Russell Hicks	11971 N. Angline Rd. 57 Wolcottville, IN 46795	(219) 854-2413
Elder Morris Wicker	5402 E. Northport, Rome City, IN 46784	(219) 347-3961

Little Zion

Elder Glyn Maddox	HC 72, Box 311, Johannesburg, MI 49751	(517) 786-3192
Elder Clarence Owens	33632 Cheryl, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043	(313) 791-2135

Little Pilgrim's Home

Elder Danny C. Hamilton	367 Twp. Rd., 1031, Nova, OH 44859	(419) 652-2485
Elder Robert Wallen	123 Main Street, Rochester, OH 44090	(216) 647-4052

Mt. Olivet

Elder Danny R. Adams	24858 Champaign Taylor, MI 48180	(313) 292-8759
Elder Willis Little	4541 Grace St., Wayne, MI 48184	(313) 728-4486
Elder Charles Newsome	3232 S. Vassar Rd., Burton, MI 48519	(313) 744-3855

Pleasant View

Elder Stoney Blackburn	15 Sycamore Dr., Bldg. 15, Apt. G. Norwalk, OH 44857	(419) 663-5418
Elder Hayse Chaffins	17616 Rt. 301, LaGrange, OH 44050	(216) 355-8461
Elder Conley Daniels	3624 W. 114th St., Cleveland, OH 44111	(216) 251-0709
Elder Larry D. Newsome	2216 Brownhelm Sta. Rd., Vermillion, OH 44089	(216) 967-5877
Elder Matt Slone	5426 Lake Rd., Sheffield Lake, OH 44054	(216) 949-5174
Elder Hargis Tuttle	4494 Butler Rd., Wakeman, OH 44889	(216) 839-5113

Little Family

Elder Roy Caudill	6143 Paulin Dr., Middletown, OH 45042	(513) 423-2381
Elder Hendricks Hampton	40 Deardoff Rd., Franklin, OH 45005	(513) 746-7533

Little Angel

Elder Milton Dye	3737 Abney Rd., Columbus, OH 43207	(614) 491-9456
Elder Birtchel Mosley, Jr.	2113 Del Norte Dr., Kendallville, IN	(219) 347-2220
Elder Forest Osborne	3425 Kitzmiller Rd., New Albany, OH 43054	(614) 855-7955

Antioch

Elder Hillard Newsome	3520 Fincastle Rd., Louisville, KY 40213	(502) 452-1197
Elder Coeburn Wayne Turner	Rt. 5, Box 316A, Shelbyville, KY 40065	(502) 834-7608

Rose of Sharon

Elder Karrel Addington	4236 Dexter-Ann Arbor Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48103	(313) 665-8351
Elder Johnie Bentley	3218 22nd, Wyandotte, MI 48192	(313) 283-2983
Elder Jeff Dillon	7939 Adair, Richmond, MI 48062	(313) 329-4368
Elder Terry Hall	159 Frozen Creek Rd., Raccoon, KY 41557	(606) 437-7242
Elder John Paul Hamilton	627 Orchard, Wyandotte, MI 48192	(313) 283-4879
Elder Ray Hamilton	18610 Toledo Rd., Wyandotte, MI 48192	(313) 282-2343
Elder Doug McCarty	9822 Woodland Ct., Ypsilanti, MI 48197	(313) 483-9877
Elder Whipple Reynolds	7306 Dean Hill Rd., Knoxville, TN 37919	(615) 691-5664

Lily of the Valley

Elder Evan Hamilton	5733 Washington Ave., Ashtabula, OH 44004	(216) 992-4621
Elder Scott Hamilton	1711 East 29th, Ashtabula, OH 44004	(216) 992-6199
Elder Squire Hamilton	4431 Maple St., Perry OH 44081	(216) 259-3036
Elder Junior Jent	9560 Lake Shore Blvd. Menton, Ohio 44060	(216) 352-0432
Elder Chester Newsome	5908 Ogdon Ave., Ashtabula, OH 44004	(216) 992-5640

Little Children's Home

Elder Buford Brock	1494 N. 50 East, Danville, IN 46122	(317) 745-5228
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Morning Star

Elder Conley Calhoun	48500 Hull Road, Belleville, MI 48111	(313) 699-7978
Elder Covis Tackett	4309 11th Street, Ecorse, MI 48229	(313) 382-7628
Elder Bill Blevins	5124 Harding St., Wayne, MI 48184	(313) 729-0513

Little Bethel

Elder Lester Hall	2744 Co. Rd. 306, Vickery, OH 43464	(419) 684-9601
Elder Frank Harvey	6710 N.T. Wp. Rd. 190 Greenspring, OH 44836	(419) 639-2557

Family of Love

Elder Clifford Bradly	18003 SH 231, Rt. 1, Nevada, OH 44849	None
Elder Buddy W. Carty	160 Trux St., Plymouth, OH 44865	(419) 687-7431
Elder Donel Gibson	Box 84, New Haven, OH 44850	(419) 935-4165
Elder Hardwick H. Ratliff	178 Patten St., Marion, OH 43302	(614) 382-0798

Macedonia

Elder Darvin Sturgill	Box J, Olive Hill, KY 41164	(606) 286-4075
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True Vine

Elder Steve Borders	770 Wooster Rd. N., Barberton, OH 44203	(216) 745-7377
Elder Bart Potter	686 W. Liberty St. Medina, OH 44256	(216) 722-8573
Elder Stanley Roar	12381 Atwater Ave., Alliance, OH 44601	(216) 821-1368
Elder Kennis L. Robinson	1947 Tonawanda Ave., Akron, OH 44305	(216) 794-8821

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES

	Received By Baptism	Received By Letter	Recommendation	Restored	Dismissed By Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Time	Contributions	Communion Time
Little Rebecca	1	0	0	0	4	1	3	48	3-E	\$350.00	July
Maggie's Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	1-M	150.00	July
Little Polly	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	24	2-E	125.00	July
Mt. Zion	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	22	1-M	50.00	July
Little Flock	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	34	3-M	200.00	Aug.
Little Ruth	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	23	2-M	150.00	June
Little Edna	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	20	4-M	125.00	July
Little Ida	2	1	0	0	1	3	0	99	1-M	625.00	June
Little Flossie	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	40	1-E	175.00	June
Little Zion	2	0	0	0	0	11	0	34	2-M	200.00	June
Little Pilgrim's Home	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	2-M	175.00	July
Mt. Olivet	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	4-M	150.00	July
Pleasant View	2	3	0	0	3	1	3	77	1-E	350.00	May
Little Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2-E	225.00	July
Little Angel	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	57	4-E	350.00	Aug.
Antioch	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	31	1-E	275.00	Oct.
Rose of Sharon	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	39	2-M	300.00	May
Lily of the Valley	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	21	3-E	500.00	June
Little Children's Home	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	3-E	100.00	July
Morning Star	7	3	0	1	0	1	1	44	3-M	250.00	June
Little Bethel	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	23	1-M	125.00	July
Family of Love	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	33	4-E	180.00	July
Macedonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	3-M	150.00	June
True Vine	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	19	3-M	200.00	Sept.

Church Contributions for 1991	\$5,080.00
Picture Contributions for 1991	375.00
Other Contributions	0

Grand Total 34 17 0 1 16 22 12 848 \$5,455.00

M — Saturday morning services

E — Saturday evening services

CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Church	Clerk	Address	City, State	Telephone
Little Rebecca	Frank Holt	223 Plymouth St.	Plymouth, OH 44865	(419) 687-4402
Maggie's Home	Harrison Runyon	Burr Oak Blvd., Box 86	Nelsonville, OH 45764	(614) 753-1024
Little Polly	Tom Vanzandt	11346 Willwood Dr.	Marshall, MI 49068	(616) 781-8191
Mt. Zion	Raleigh Ousley	3329 S.R. 30	Ada, OH 45810	(419) 326-7274
Little Flock	Hank Forgey	1443 Centerville Rd.	Thurman, OH 45685	(614) 682-6533
Little Ruth	Adran Counts	3645 TWP Rd. 26	Cardington, OH 43315	(419) 946-6621
Little Edna	Elmer Edwards	888 Cooper Foster Pk. Rd.	Amherst, OH 44001	(216) 988-5875
Little Ida	John Johnson	1309 Wilson	Lincoln Park, MI 48146	(313) 381-3142
Little Flossie	Morris Wicker	Rt. 1	Rome City, IN 46784	(219) 347-3961
Little Zion	Eugene Robinette	5490 Hearst St.	Utica, MI 48317	(313) 731-7419
Little Pilgrim's Home	Danny Hamilton	367 TWP Rd. 1031	Nova, OH 44859	(419) 652-2485
Mt. Olivet	Danny Adams	24858 Champaign	Taylor, MI 48180	(313) 292-8759
Pleasant View	Eldon Hall	928 Livermore Ln.	Elyria, OH 44035	(216) 365-3459
Little Family	Marvin Potter	7492 Hopkins Rd.	Maineville, OH 45039	(513) 683-2492
Little Angel	Forest Osborne	3425 Kitmiller Rd.	New Albany, OH 43054	(614) 855-7955
Antioch	Melvin Adams	12024 Overlook Rd.	Louisville, KY 40229	(502) 957-2417
Rose of Sharon	Johnie Bentley	3218 22nd St.	Wyondotte, MI 48192	(313) 283-2983
Lily of the Valley	Roger D. Newsome	Box 2238	Ashtabula, OH 44004	(216) 997-6194
Little Children's Home	James D. Wagner	17201 Stone Ch. Rd.	Laurel, IN 47024	(317) 698-2316
Morning Star	Willis Little	4541 Grace	Wayne, MI 48184	(313) 728-4486
Little Bethel	Ernest Owens	343 Jackson St.	Fremont, OH 43420	(419) 334-4344
Family of Love	Perry C. Williams	545 Mark St.	Marion, OH 43302	(614) 383-4494
Macedonia	Frank Sturgill		Grahn, KY 41142	(606) 286-4914
True Vine	Mack Adkins	509 Waterside Ave.	Canal Fulton, OH 44614	(216) 854-1879

Viola (Justice) Adkins

The name Mother is one of the most sacred of all names. None is more precious or more expressive of love. It is a name that is closely associated with friend, companion and teacher. Because of its great significance the name Mother is used more often than any other word. So with the help of the Lord I'll try with a sad and broken heart to write the obituary of a very special someone "Our Mother".

Viola (Justice) Adkins, the daughter of the late Jerry and Martha Justice of Tollers Creek, Ky. was born August 13, 1914 and departed this life April 16, 1991 at the age of 76 years old.



On October 29, 1927 Mom was united in marriage to Thomas Adkins. They enjoyed their lives together for 61 years when the Lord seen fit to call Poppie home. Their marriage was blessed with 15 children, three of which went on before her at a young age, they were Bobby Lee, Ottie Lee, and Clifton Jr. Though Mommie and Poppie and their 3 sons are together once more in heaven, there are many left behind to mourn their loss.

Those whom are left to mourn are 5 sons; John from Alabama, Roy of Michigan, Garry of Mississippi, Denver and Jeffery both of Rarden; and daughters: Glessie Burke and Bessie Leedy both of Blue Creek, Ethel Riddle of Peebles, Reet Justice of Pikeville, Wilma Roden and Karen Elliott both of Michigan, and Clena Maynard of Ports, Ohio. There are also 4 sons-in-law, Kenny Elliott, Mark Maynard, Bill Roden, and Cline Burke, and 4 daughters-in-law: Debbie, Sue, Charlotte, and Mary Lou; plus 32 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren and many other friends and neighbors whom will miss Mom dearly.

Mommie loved to see her family and friends come visit her, she was forever cooking, ready to feed all whom came to visit. To sit at Mommie's table was such a blessing. Mommie was a faithful member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Even though we are all left behind I know that if Mommie or Poppie either one could speak to us, they would ask us to "Press On" and to look to the good Lord for our strength and peace. Mom would want us to watch her pretty flowers bloom and be happy as her battle has been won. So sons and daughters love one another. Seek Jesus and you'll find comfort when you think there is none. Grandchildren remember your "Little Grandma" as you all knew and loved her, live your life the best way you know how and look to Grandma's God and you'll never be alone.

Thank You Lord for guiding me though this trial and the loss of my closest friend, my Mother.

Written by her daughter and sister in Christ
Karen Elliott

"Miss Me . . . But Let Me Go"
*When I came to the end of the road,
and the sun has set for me.
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
why cry for a soul set free.
Miss me a little — but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that was once shared
miss me — but let me go.
For this is a journey we must all take
and each must go alone.
It is all part of the Master's plan
a step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick of heart
go to friends we know.
Bury your sorrows in doing good deeds,
miss me — but let me go.*

Floyd E. Brown

Floyd Everette Brown was born September 14, 1922 in Montgomery, West Virginia to Gertrude Carrie Barrett and James Lester Brown; both are deceased.

Floyd met and married Peggy Ann Creigs October 14, 1950, and to this union were born three children; to wit — Joyce Ann Freeman of Brownstown, MI, Judy Carol Brown of Taylor, MI, and James Everette Brown still at home. Brother Floyd is survived by his loving companion, his children and five grandchildren: Jennifer Lynn, Crystal Marie, Jerry Matthew and Gail Leann Freeman and Margo Rene Busen. Brother Floyd is also survived by his son-in-law Greg Freeman. There is also a whole host of friends, neighbors and



brothers and sisters in Christ who miss Brother Floyd dearly.

In early 1976 Brother Floyd saw his lost and ruined condition and became dissatisfied with his life as it was. He prayed to God, who heard his cries and answered them by forgiving him of his sins. In July of 1978 he joined the Church and was baptized by Elder Covis Tackett and Elder Glen Maddox. Brother Floyd placed his membership at the Morning Star Church of Old Regular Baptist. In 1982 Brother Floyd brought his membership to the Rose of Sharon Church, where he remained a member until his death on February 12, 1990.

Brother Floyd was very sick for several years but he bore his sickness well. He would always tell you that it could be worse. Brother Floyd was a Bold Soldier for the Lord. His faith and dedication shone a light to his brothers and sisters of the Rose of Sharon Church, and everyone else that would look at it.

We know that Brother Floyd will be greatly missed by his family whom he loved dearly. He will be especially missed by his grandchildren who loved him so well. The Rose of Sharon Church has lost a faithful Soldier and a beautiful light. We realize that our loss is Heaven's gain. There are so many wonderful things that could be said about our beloved Brother, but time and space will not allow all of them to be put into words. Before I close this obituary, let me say to his family and friends: let Brother Floyd's life be an example for you, to seek his God for your personal salvation and guidance in all things.

Written by Elder Ray Hamilton,
who not only lost a brother in
Christ, but a dear friend as well.

Grant Burke

It is with much respect and a great sense of loss that we write an obituary of our beloved father and father-in-law, Grant Burke. He was born December 30, 1901, in Floyd County, KY, the son of the late Grant Burke and Rhoda Johnson Burke Hall. He passed from this troubled world on November 11, 1990, making his stay on Earth 88 years, 10 months, 1 week and 4 days.

On May 12, 1925, he was united in marriage to Aggie Hall and into this union were born eight children. This wonderful union was to endure the ravages of time, sickness, and all manner of hardships for sixty-five and one half years, growing stronger with each passing year.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a young son Willis, one brother Mannie, and a half brother, Clyde Hall.

Surviving are his wife Aggie, two sons, Orville of Melvin, KY, Clyde of Weeksbury, KY, five daughters, Opal Dutton of Trenton, MI, Beatrice Hall of Mansfield, OH, Evelyn, Jewell Dean, and Geraldene Burke of Weeksbury, KY, two half sisters, Millie Burke and Nola Hall of Louisville, KY, and two half brothers, Clinie Hall of Shepherdsville, KY, and Wilson Hall of West Virginia. He also leaves eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Daddy was a coal miner all of his working life. He worked over thirty-seven years in the coal mines of Floyd County and was a charter member of United Mine Workers Local Union 5899 at Weeksbury, Ky., for over fifty-three years.

Daddy was the same every time you saw him. He never changed with the seasons nor did he show any difference among his children. He always said that he couldn't make any difference between his own children and his grandchildren. He was always humble with no ill word about anyone and would say, "Just look at the trees, the hills, the cliffs and waters. You have to know that it took a great Power to make all them things. They have to be a Great God to make all that stuff." He joined the Church of Christ at Melvin, Ky.,



about three years before his death. The life that he lived before his family, friends and neighbors left in place many milestones and was his obituary. We all loved him and miss him but we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by his loving daughter and son-in-law,
Beatrice and James G. Hall

Sister Beatrice Cimino

Write, blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, henceforth, yea say the spirit, they may rest from their labor and their works do follow them.

Sister Beatrice Cimino was born March 6, 1924 and went to her heavenly home January 6, 1991. She was the daughter of the late Reverend Will and Mina (Ash) Webb of Olive Hill, Kentucky.

Sister Beatrice married Tony Cimino about 45 years ago. He survives her. To this union was born six children. Two girls preceded her in death, Sandra Faye and Anita Sharon Cimino. Surviving sons and daughters-in-law are: Vincent and Cindy Cimino, Patrick and Debbie Cimino, The Reverend Dwight and Lorrie Cimino, all of Delaware, Ohio and Steven and Sam Cimino of Big Spring, Texas.



Also surviving are nine grandchildren: Steven, Patrick, Susan, Chris, Cheryl, Daniel, Jonathan, Michele, and Michael. Brothers surviving are Ruben Webb of Olive Hill, Kentucky and Ardis Webb of Bonduel, Wisconsin. Sisters-in-law are Inez Webb of Olive Hill, Kentucky, Pernia Webb of Clearfield, Kentucky and Cloma Webb of Bonduel, Wisconsin.

I feel Sister Beatrice was born into another family some years ago, into the family of God and now is taking that rest she so well deserved. I know Sister Bea will be missed by her family, friends and all who knew her, but you can join her again around that throne of God if you want to.

Written by Elder Forest Osborne

Hulda Cook

*Born unto you this day
in the City of David, A Savior.*

With the help of the Lord, I will try to write the Obituary of our dear mother, Sister Hulda Cook. She was the daughter of Able and Linda Isaac Johnson. She was born February 20, 1900 in Halo, Kentucky. She deceased April 3, 1991, making her stay on earth 91 years, 1 month and 15 days.

She was married to George Cook on March 22, 1916. He preceded her in death June 12, 1971. Unto this union was born fifteen children, six, of which, preceded her in death; William Cook, Ethel Cook, Nettie Hall, Hettie Hall, Johnnie Cook, and New Gean



Cook. Now left to mourn her loss; Ettie Spencer of Willard, Ohio; Willie Cook, Linda Hall and Bobby Gene Cook of Dry Creek, Kentucky; Sarah Jane Tuttle of Grafton, Ohio; Joe Cook of Columbus, Ohio; Betty June Branham of Plymouth, Ohio; Lew Gene Cook of Venton, Ohio, 53 grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren.

She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church the third Saturday in October 1938. She was baptized by Brother Ellis Hopkins. She had her letter at the Old Providence Church for many years until bringing it to the Little Rebecca Church in 1980. She was a good and faithful member as long as she was able to go. We will all miss her, but she is far better off, because I feel with all my heart that she is resting under the Altar of God. I feel that I'll see her again where there will be no more suffering or heartache. So, I say to the children, we can't bring Mom back but, with the help of the Lord we can go where she is.

To Sister Ellen, you won't have to worry about Mom during those long nights you spent with her. You won't have to worry about wrapping her feet to keep them warm, for I believe with all my heart those feet are walking on those streets of gold and she is singing with the Angels, those beautiful songs she loved to hear.

We want to thank Brother Hayes and the people of the Pleasant View Church that were so good to visit and sing to her. Also, the Brothers, Sisters and friends of the Old Providence Church that showed us so much Love during Mom's funeral.

To Brother Buddy and Brother Danny, you will always hold a special place in our hearts, because you held one in Mom's.

Written by her son-in-law and daughter,
Malcolm and Betty J. Branham

Leanard Gibson

My husband, Leanard Gibson of Rittman, Ohio, was born in Topmost, Knott Co. Kentucky, Born to Ben and Peggy (Caudill) Gibson, on March 11, 1924. The death angel visited the Wadsworth Hospital and took him HOME on June 4, 1990.

We were married August 15, 1944. God blessed us to have two children. One daughter, Patricia Herick of Wadsworth, Ohio and one son, Jeffrey Gibson of Rittman, Ohio. We have four grandchildren: Andy and Jon Herick, Jeffery and Jenny Gibson. Leanard has one sister living, at this date, Neola Meade of Martinsville, Ohio. One brother, Daniel Gibson of San Marcos, Texas.

Deceased sisters are: Nebraska Mullins, Clerica Slone, Versie Slone, Nancy Hall, Susanna Isaac, Josie Slone, Florence Mullins and Alice Mosley. Brothers are: Andy(Son), Sylvester, Maynard, Miles and Bill are all deceased.

Leanard had been sick for a long time. He suffered so much. He would go to church, every time he was able to go. At times, we would have to leave early. He would be so uncomfortable, needed to get home, to lie down. Brothers and Sisters from the church visited him, he told some from the Pleasant View Church, he was going home, one ask when he was getting discharged, he pointed toward the ceiling and said, "I am talking about that HOME, I am ready to go." However, he never did join the church here on earth, he said, the Lord had forgiven him.

I would like to thank all who helped me during his sickness. Also, to the Pleasant View Church, where his funeral was preached, thanks to Larry Newsome, and all of you for your kindness and caring. May God Bless you all. He is buried in the Rittman Cemetery, Rittman, Ohio. Leanard was a World War II veteran. He retired from the Packaging Corp. Of America, in 1982. We have lived 40 years in Rittman, Ohio. They are many memories to cherish.



His loving wife,
Callie (Meade) Gibson

Bessie Ann Halbert

Bessie Ann Halbert was born September 2, 1908 in Rooney, Kentucky. She passed away November 21, 1990, making her stay on earth 82 years, 2 months and 14 days.

Bessie was never married, but had one brother, William R. Halbert; two sisters, Emma Dailey and Saloma Bradley; two nieces and two nephews; several great-nieces and nephews, plus many friends to mourn her death.

Bessie taught school 13 years, worked as a Court Reporter 4 years in Prestonsburg and Hindman, Kentucky, and worked in unemployment offices 29 years in Prestonsburg and Pikeville, Kentucky.

She was a member of Bethel Church of Old Regular Baptist at the time of her death. She joined the church at the age of 18. Bessie's record of 64 years in the church is outstanding.

Bessie was an exceptionally friendly person, always rendering her services to the poor and needy. She took great pride in the school children, delighting in the opportunity to insure that each child received his or her share of food that was distributed by the state.

Some with money do not concern themselves with the welfare of others, but Bessie was not only concerned with her immediate family but with others, also. Fulfilling the scripture, "It is better to give than to receive," she was free with her money to help the church, help the poor, and help in paying for the education of others.

Bessie only lived about a week after it was discovered she had cancer. The miracle was that she was able to continue working and performing her duties without much pain and agony.

It is good to read or hear about someone who had contributed to the welfare of mankind, and in this obituary, space won't allow for all good things done by Bessie Ann Halbert. But, those who knew her can be happy for the life she lived.



Composed by: Ethel L. Halbert Stephens
Written by: Palmer R. Hamilton

Woodrow W. Hale

Woodrow W. Hale, age 73, of Raysville Rd., died Wednesday evening, March 9, 1988 at the home of his son, Eldred Hale of Richmond Dale, following several years of failing health.

He was a farmer and laborer

Son of the late John and Sally (Lane) Hale, he was born June 8, 1914 in McGoffin County, Kentucky.

Survivors include his wife, the former Perlia Shepherd; two sons, Wilbur of Ray and Eldred of Richmond Dale; six daughters, Nora Dixon of Wellston, Sally Close, Sandra Jenkins, and Judy Doles all of Ray, Elsie Hutchinson of Richmond Dale, and Cynthia Dugan of Springfield; two foster children, Shelby Greer of Gallipolis and Chuck Greer of Germany; a brother, Winfield Hale of Kentucky; five sisters, Aileen Shepherd of Wellston, Virgie Shepherd and Stella Wireman, both of Kentucky, and Cynthia Allen and Rose Lee Mann, both of Indiana; 20 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, John; seven brothers; and three sisters.



Farewell my friends
And weep not for me
You in life's Billow Toss
For Jordan's Flood I'm
Past you see

And you have yet to cross
They are not lost who find the light of sun and stars and God.

Safely Home

I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light
All the pain and grief is over
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home at heaven at last.
Did you wonder I so calmly
Trode the valley of the shade?
Oh! but Jesus' Love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?
Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still;
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our father's Will.
There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth
You shall rest in Jesus' land.
When the work is all completed,
He will gently call you home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!

Woodrow enjoyed the Old Regular Baptist Church, and was planning to join when he got better. But he passed on before that time, but he was saved by your Lord and mine. He wanted so much to join the church and be baptized, but he had no time before his passing. But he was forgiven by the Lord Jesus Christ.

John Hall

By the help of the good Lord, we will try to write an obituary of our dear husband and father, John Hall. He was born July 21, 1917 to the late Austin Hall and Elizabeth Mosley Hall. He departed from this earth September 14, 1990, making his stay here on earth 73 years, 1 month and 24 days.

In the year of 1948, John met and married Elsie Isaacs Hall. Left to mourn his loss is his loving wife, Elsie; his son, Randis; three daughters, Karla, Johnnie Glee and Nada Mae; one brother, Lawrence; and three loving grandchildren. One son, Nathaniel, and one brother, James C., preceded him in death.



John's family, friends, and neighbors miss him so much, but our loss is heaven's gain.

In the year of 1963, John joined the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church of Dry Creek, Ky., and was baptized by Elder Troy Nicoles and Elder Green Bradley on the fourth Sunday in November 1963.

John was a very humble man; he always had a smile and a kind word for every person he met. If there were more people like John, this world would be a better place to live.

John's favorite scripture was "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest until your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." His favorite songs were "Dear Friends, Farewell," and "I Have a Call for You My Friend."

John always said, "I fear no man, but I'm a God fearing man." Words cannot describe how much we miss him, but we feel he is resting under the altar of God, where he's free from worry and pain.

Written by his daughter-in-law
Linda (Mitchell) Hall
(Assisted by the family)

Grandpa

Any day of the week
To find Grandpa, you'll not
Have to seek;
Any day of the year.
He will always be there.
Any day, any day, find
him to talk or even to
Take a walk.
If you say "hold me," he'll
hold out his hands.
He cries with sad and
Happy tears, while he
thinks back over the years.
He *will not* turn on you
or do things to spite you.
He'll never leave you.
That's the way
Grandpa's is.

Written by his oldest granddaughter, Maleshea Conley

Marie Hall

With the help of God, I will try to write an obituary of my precious sister in Christ. Sister Marie was born on March 24, 1921. She was the daughter of Sherman and Virgie (Nickles) Slone. Both have preceded her in death. Sister Marie had three (3) sons and one (1) daughter whom she loved very much. They are: David Hall, Linda Branham both of Plymouth, Ohio — Randall Hall of Shiloh, Ohio and Devenis Hall who preceded her in death at the age of 19. She also leaves two (2) daughters-in-law, a son-in-law and eight (8) grandchildren, a sister — Beatrice Little of Price, Kentucky, two (2) adopted brothers — Raymond Slone of Waverly, Ohio and Glen Slone of Plymouth, Ohio.

There were three (3) sisters and one (1) brother who preceded her in death, Bessie Beverly, Monnie Gibson, Gracie Slone and Devenis Slone.

Sister Marie joined the Caney Fork Church in 1948. She was only 27 years



old. She was baptized by her daddy, Elder Sherman Slone and uncle Elder Troy Nickles. Sister Marie lived a true Christian life. Sister Marie didn't care to let anyone know that she stood for the old time way. She was a light to me. She would have a pretty dream and she couldn't hardly wait to call me on the phone the next morning to tell me about it. We would talk on the bible and the next thing I would know, she would be crying and praising the Lord for what he has given her.

Sister Marie was sick for a long time and had to have oxygen on her most of the time. Her heart was weakened by the several heart failures she had. She got so weak she couldn't walk. She had to be pushed in a wheelchair.

On October 15, 1990 she was given a new heart. One where she would be able to skip down that golden street in heaven. Everyone who came in contact with Sister Marie loved her. She loved her children and grandchildren. She didn't want to leave them. A precious one from us is gone, a voice that we loved is still.

Sister Marie loved Bessie's children almost as much as her own. She was like a mother to us after Bessie was gone. Children, if you ever want to see mother again, you'll have to do the same as she did. You'll have to repent. Please, always remember her teaching.

So sleep on that peaceful sleep, Sister Marie for a while longer. I will surely miss you until we meet again on that bright shore.

Sister Dottie Beverly

Sister Marie's Memorial will be preached on the third weekend of October 19th and 20th, 1991. Preachers called: Elder Jimmy Hall and Elder Jimmy Dye.

Lee Hamilton

With God's guidance I shall make an effort to express fitting words from my heart in writing the obituary of my dear Father-in-law, Lee Hamilton. Lee was born January 6, 1908 in Floyd County, Kentucky, to the late Allie and Robert Hamilton.

At the age of twenty-four he was united in marriage to Stella Moore Hamilton. They later established their permanent home on Island Creek, Kentucky.

To this union was born ten children. Six sons, Gillis, Hobert, Willard, Wendell, John Paul and Leonard, four daughters, Christene, Geneva, Loyal



and Ivy. One son Willard, an infant daughter, Christene and Geneva preceded him in death. He also leaves two surviving brothers, Charlie and Nola Hamilton, twenty-three grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Lee was a retired miner and a member of the U.M.W.A. He spent many hard working hours at his profession until ill health forced his retirement.

Thirty-four years ago he confessed a hope in Jesus and was baptized, becoming a member of the Island Creek Regular Baptist Church. These years were spent wearing the helmet of salvation and tasting it's joy.

His death on August 4, 1990 did not come without sorrow but as a kind gesture rendered by God to end his suffering.

Lee was greatly respected and loved by the quiet community where he chose to dwell. He also returned respect and love. I'm sure his absence will be shaded by sorrow.

With a Shield of faith he bore many hours of affliction, but he was not alone. His crippled hands clung to the Jesus rock.

We as a family suffered when he suffered. To each of us he was a father of great statue. One who prayed for his friends and loved ones. One who greeted them with kindness and love. One who appreciated life and each blessing rendered with it.

We shall forever miss and remember his earthly presence. All those lovely memories can be stored away in a silent room of our heart, along with relating to death as he did and being lifted by the same gentle hands of Jesus to look into an open Heaven. Then close our eyes in peace.

Written by Daughter-in-law:
Garnett F. Hamilton 8-10-90

Nola Hamilton

It is with a sad heart and with the help of the Lord, I will try to write the obituary of Bro. Nola Hamilton.

Bro. Nola was born May 3, 1898 to Bob and Allie Osborn Hamilton. The angels took him home November 9, 1990, making his stay on earth 92 years, 6 months, and 6 days.

He was married to Clara (Martin) Hamilton July 17, 1932. To this union was born 7 children: Bill, Prince, Lucky, Wesley, Bonnie Sue, Jettie, Carvel, and one son by a previous marriage, Tennis. He also leaves 18 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren and one brother, Charlie to mourn his loss.



Nine brothers and one sister preceded him in death. They are: Russ, Floyd, Lawrence, Willard, John, Anthony, Lee, Hiney (H.H.), George and Fannie.

Bro. Nola joined the Old Regular Baptist Church at Little Laura, Hurricane Creek, Ky., the first weekend in December, 1960. He moved his letter to Little Rebecca and later moved it to the Little Bethel church at Green Springs, Ohio. He was a strong and faithful member and believed in the old time way.

I don't believe anyone could ever doubt how much Bro. Nola loved everyone. I believe he put all of his love in his smile and in his hugs. How precious they were. I know the Little Bethel Church, his family, and friends will miss him.

There are many good things I could write about Bro. Nola, but I believe he would want me to tell his children to not weep for him because his suffering is over, his soul is at rest. Bless that rest.

If you don't know God in the pardon and remission of sin, you don't know the Joy and Peace you are missing. Today is the day to fall out with sin, tomorrow may be too late. Bro. Nola can't come back to us and I don't believe he would want to, but by the Grace of God, you can go to be with him.

Sister Clara, we love you dearly and I believe God will make a way for you when the days get lonely.

Sleep on Bro. Nola for a little while, your labor and suffering are over. When the trumpet sounds in that morning, we'll all go home together to a land of Peace and Joy. Bless that day.

My darling, I miss you so much but I know your at rest and not suffering anymore. I will be with you soon.

Written by a Sister in the Lord
Joanne Nickles and wife Clara

Written by granddaughter Princetta: Words cannot tell of the love my Pappa gave to me and others. He showed his love to everyone that came to his home, his smile and big warm hugs told the story of what a good and Christian man he was. Though he is gone from his loved ones his Spirit and precious memories he left behind will always be with me. Much sadness fills my heart since his loss, but I know he has entered those Pearly Gates to walk with the Lord, for he wouldn't want me to be sad cause he is no longer in pain and suffering. Now is the time for his children and grandchildren to answer Pappa's prayers to become Christians so we can go to be with our sweet and wonderful Pappa someday. There will never be no other love more precious than my Pappa's and Mamma's love.

In Loving Memory,
Your Granddaughter, Princetta

Nola's memorial will be the first Sunday in November, 1991.

Julia (Wireman) Hicks

Julia was born May 8, 1913 in Fredville, Ky., the daughter of Elliot and Martha (Hale) Wireman. A homemaker, she joined the Little Martha Baptist Church in August 1941 in Fredville, Ky. Julia left this earth on January 14, 1990.

Julia married Bertral Hicks February 7, 1935 and to this union was born 6 sons and 3 daughters. Lacy Dean, Clifton, Carles, and Jackie Neil of Payne, OH, Billy Joe of Antwerp, OH, and Adrain Lewis of Mechanicsburg, OH. Three daughters

Donna Ruthine Gebhart of Payne, OH, and Terrie Lynn Baumgartner of Greenwood, IN and Bruxie Smalley who followed her mother in death on March 1, 1990. Two sisters, Cassie Lafferty of Salyersville, KY, and Jane Stephens of Royalton, KY; 18 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



By Bertral Hicks (husband)

John (Dick) Leedy

With the help of the Lord, we'll try with broken hearts and much sadness, to write the obituary of our dearly beloved brother-in-law, John Dick Leedy.

Dick passed away at home Saturday, January 12, 1991 at the age of 74 years. He was born May 30, 1916 to the late Alfred and Nannie Leedy of Pikeville, Ky.

Those left to mourn his loss are his wife of 44 years Bessie Mae (Adkins); one son John Jr. and wife Brenda; two daughters Joan Drummond and husband Jim; and Vallery Ryan and husband Steve; five grandchildren; Jerry and Wesley Leedy, Heather (Drummond) Fitzpatrick, Heath Drummond and Tyler Ryan, all of which are from the Faucett Community.

Also left to mourn his loss are a sister Corine Dye of Pikeville, Ky., and mother-in-law Viola Adkins from Rarden, Ohio; there are five brothers-in-law and six sisters-in-law and their families whom will miss Dick very much along with many other loved ones and friends and neighbors.

Dick was a veteran of WWII and a coal miner in Pike Co., Kentucky until he moved his family to Adams Co. Ohio where he worked at Plum Run Stone until he became disabled.

The past years of Dick's life were spent caring for his children and grandchildren. Dick and Bessie Mae loved to see company come, they always wanted you to sit at their table and eat with them. Their love and kindness will never be forgotten.

Dick has been very busy for the past two years checking on his mother-in-law, Viola Adkins. Our Dad, Tom Adkins, passed away it will soon be 2 years and Dick has always been there for our Mom. Dick never failed to offer his help and kindness not only to Mommie and his family but also to his friends and neighbors whom will miss him dearly. Dick has paid a price that we all have to pay, so I beg of you if you want to see your Daddy or grandpa again turn your life to Jesus and it be the Lord's will, we will all be together again one sweet day.



Written by sisters-in-law
Ethel Riddle and Karen Elliott

In Memory of John (Dick) Leedy
 I'll close my eyes and rest awhile
 The road has grown so steep
 When morning comes and I'm not here
 I beg you not to weep
 I'll wake where there's sunshine
 And summers everywhere.
 Where there's no sickness or pain
 And we're free from every care
 I'll rest with those who's gone before
 So many loved ones wait
 I'm going there on the streets of gold
 And we'll watch for you at the gate
 Remember me with love and smiles
 Be glad my trials are past
 We'll meet again neath the tree of life
 When the circles complete at last
 When you need me just close your eyes
 And you'll see me as before
 I'll be alive within your hearts
 Until we're together once more

Hannah Slider Marks

With much sadness and great loss, I will try to write the obituary of my dear mother, Hannah Slider Marks. Mom was born in Calhoun County, West Virginia June 8, 1909 and passed from this life January 8th, 1991 making her stay here on earth, 81 years, 7 months.

She was the daughter of William H. and Lula D. Adams Slider. Both preceded her in death. She was married to Ernest V. Marks July 2, 1936. To this union were born seven children. Four sons, Alva Starcher of Doylestown, OH, Foster Marks who preceded her in death, William Marks and Gordie Marks both of Mt. Zion, West Virginia. Three daughters, Marie Adkins of Canal Fulton, OH,



Waneta Helmick of Clinton, OH, and Lorraine Myers of Mt. Zion, West Virginia. Nineteen grandchildren, thirteen step-grandchildren, twenty great-

grandchildren, three sons-in-law, four daughters-in-law, three sisters, Virgie Dusky, Harriet Sturms both of Mt. Zion, West Virginia and Minnie Cooper of Canton, Ohio. She also leaves to mourn her loss a host of friends and relatives.

Mother attended the Cremo Church for many years. We all miss her greatly, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Rest on Mom, we will meet you around that great throne of God some sweet day where we'll never part again.

Written by her daughter, Sister Marie Adkins
and Son-in-law, Brother Mack Adkins

Cuba Hix Martin

Cuba Hix Martin, born August 27, 1908 at Wilton, Kentucky, departed this life November 1, 1990, at the age of 82 years. She was the daughter of A.J. and Sarah Brunk Hix.

She married the late John Martin August 27, 1927. To this union two daughters were born, Jo Ann Martin Johnson and Mary Martin Osborne. Cuba is also survived by one brother: C.V. Hix, Auxier, Ky., and one half sister, Edna Hix Thacker of Pikeville, Ky., three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She made her home in Taylor, MI for the last 21 years.

She joined The Old Regular Baptist Church at the Enterprise Church in 1981, and was baptized by Elder Monroe Jones. Cuba brought her letter to the Rose of Sharon Church. She was a member of that church until her death.

Mom, we miss you and love you always.

Written by her daughter
Jo Ann Johnson

Leonard Morris

It is with a sad and lonely, but happy heart that I will attempt to write an obituary of my dear father.

My dad was born on March 7, 1917 to A.L. and Quince (Moore) Morris at Eastern, Kentucky. He left us on May 29, 1991, making his stay on earth 74 years, 2 months, and 22 days.

My dad married my wonderful mother, Jane (Slone) Morris, on September 3, 1938. Two sons and one daughter were given life by these two wonderful people: Nancy Morris, Roger Morris, and Shannon Morris, all of Mariou, Ohio. There are four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by one brother, Arthur Morris, and one sister, Christine Akins. He was preceded in death by four brothers and three sisters.



Daddy joined the Old Regular Baptist Church on August 17, 1968. He was baptized by Troy Nickles and Bert Hall at Caney Creek Church in Raven, Kentucky.

Daddy has so many accidents and operations and was so sick for so long, but he was determined to not let anything keep him down. He kept going when he was hardly able to move. He always wanted to go to church, but when it was time, he was always too sick to get out of bed. He was still determined to not give up until the final accident. With both his hips broken, he just kept getting sicker until he could go on no longer. All the fight was gone!

Daddy, I know you are at rest now. You are not hurting or sick anymore. But, oh, how hard it is to give you up! I remember all the times you held my hand and wiped my tears and I felt so safe and loved. I thank God I was able to be there for you when you needed me, especially the last days when you were the sickest. I am happy I was able to tell you "I love you, my sweet little bitty Daddy, with all my heart!"

Memorial will be held the fourth week in October.

Written by his loving daughter

Katie Hall Newsome

With a broken heart I will try to write the obituary of God's greatest Mama, Mother, and Wife, Katie Newsome.

She was born on March 10, 1913, making her stay here for 78 years, 2 months and 12 days.

On March 10, 1927 at the age of 14, Katie Hall and Harvey Newsome became united in holy matrimony. The most precious gifts God gives were then granted to Katie Hall and Harvey Newsome; they were blessed with 20 children. 10 which died (some at birth, some during childhood) and 10 that the



Lord has blessed her to see live and married and have children of their own. These are: Russell, Johnny, and Harvey Jr. Newsome of Ohio, Clancy and Frank Newsome and Ruth Blankship of Virginia. Dave Newsome, Daphine Akers, Ruby Ousley and Lorene Hamilton of Kentucky.

The Lord then blessed Mama to see another precious gift of God which was being able to then see her 35 grandchildren grow up and have 39 children of their own. With so many grandkids, never did I once hear Mama complain when we would gather in to visit or stay all night. In many ways Mama was more like a Mommy to us all than a Mama.

In the year 1948 Mama announced to the world that the Lord had saved her soul and someday she would have a better home awaiting. Since that day she has been a faithful member of the Old Regular Baptist Church and a good faithful woman to Jesus. Mama always abided by the good old fashion way of the church. Never once did I here Mama speak bad of no one instead of talking about people. When I was little and would stay the night with Mama I would always hear her lying in bed next to me praying to Jesus.

When life's trouble became hard for Mama, you could find her working in her garden, right up to the day before she was admitted to the hospital.

She always set a good example for us all to follow and meet her someday in her white robe and on the streets of gold.

Written by her heart-broken grandchildren

Elder Baxter Osborne *An Ambassador For Jesus*

With an aching heart I will try to fulfill the request of my beloved companion of 52 years, 2 months and 15 days.

Elder Baxter Osborne, an Ambassador For Jesus, has been called home. He has finished his mission and after fifty-three years and two months in the service of his King, he has now received an honorable discharge and retired in "a land far away where there will be no more heartaches" never to be called at the hour of midnight, to go to the aid of someone in trouble, never to be called when there was trouble in the brotherhood, never to lie awake at night and wonder if all will be well when he met with the associations.



He was the son of G. C. and Rebecca Osborne, born June 15, 1920, one of 16 children, called and accepted into the service of his King at the tender age of 17. He was an Ambassador, a peacemaker, a true and Faithful shepherd, watching over the flock, gently leading them all these years; and after these years of dedicated service, he was called to his reward September 2, 1990, making his stay here 70 years, 2 months and 17 days.

Brother Baxter and I, Dorothy Triplett Osborne were married June 11, 1938 and I believe we were joined by the hand of God. We were blessed with 6 children, 4 sons, Johnny, Steve, Baxter, Jr., and Robert. 2 daughters, Martha Knipp and Sharon Tackett. All will surely miss the loving advice from their father. He was preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers and 4 sisters. Left to mourn his absence are, Lavona Mullins, and Ethel Wicker, 7 brothers, Elder Steve Osborne, Elder G. C. Osborne, Jr., David Osborne, Elder Hiram Osborne, Elder Forest Osborne, Elder Emmitt Osborne and Deacon Robert Osborne. He also leaves 19 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews who looked on him as dad, many more relatives and a large host of friends.

He was pastor of The Little Jewel Church since 1946 until God called him home. He was a very loving, devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, friend and counselor who will never be forgotten.

After a battle with that dreadful disease for 18 months he was released from this prison of clay, never to suffer again. There have been so many

good things said that I could write about but the space would be too much so it will be contained in a biography of his church life. Pray that I will be able to finish this record so his memory will live on in the hearts of those who love him so well. He is sadly missed by his family and friends and the Little Jewel Church, the Little Memory Church that he pastored for 27 years and the many churches and associations where he always attended.

A dear brother wrote in a letter to him before he went away and I will quote: You are a guiding light to many of us Old Regular Baptists. It reminds me of a scripture, "they that be wise shall shine a brightness on the firmament and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever." This is truly a perfect description of the life of my beloved husband.

Sister Dorothy

Elder Steve Osborne

With a very sad heart, but by the help of my Lord, I will try to fulfill the request of these beloved children and write a few words about their dear departed father, Elder Steve Osborne, who resided in Phoenix, Arizona for 14 years and was called to Heaven to join his beloved Brother, Baxter, on May 2, 1991, exactly 8 months after he had gone home. What a reunion they must have had with their departed parents, Elder Grover Cleveland and Rebecca Osborne and 4 sisters, America, Montana, Mary



and Flossie and 2 other brothers, Newton and Jesse and 2 angel baby boys.

Brother Steve was borne April 18, 1911, married to Thelma Smith Osborne in 1933, gave his heart to Jesus and was baptized in 1935 and called to spread the good news of the saving power of our Lord in 1935.

I met Brother Steve when I was a very young girl and it was through his prayer in my father's home that I realized that I was a sinner. I was privileged to have him help baptize me in July 1938. He was in the arm to organize The Little Jewel Church in 1946, was assistant pastor for a number of years, and a traveling companion of Brother Baxter's for many years.

Brother Steve is survived by his loving wife, Thelma, 5 daughters, Ethel Fields, Rebecca Short, Mary Pennington, Naomi Schick and Ruth Schick;

8 sons, John, Thomas, David, Steve, Jesse, Cleveland, Matthew and Samuel; 50 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren; also 6 brothers, Emmit, Forest, Cleveland, Hiram, David and Robert; 2 sisters, Ethel Wicker and Lavona Mullins, and a large number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends and other relatives.

Brother Steve resided on Pond Creek near Portsmouth, Ohio for a number of years, but they both became too ill to stay so far from the family, so they moved to Arizona in 1977 to be near some of the children. Brother Steve was never able to return to his homeland or his home church but remained a faithful member of The Little Jewel church. He was homesick and unhappy after his dear wife become too ill and was taken from his side to the hospital, that we believe that he longed for his eternal home so sincerely that God had mercy on him and heard his groans and said to the angel, "Go and get my servant and bring him home to the rest of the family here." So, children and loved ones, remember, Daddy's only gone away with a Friend.

Elder Hiram Adkins preached the night before his Funeral and his text inspired the following poem:

Our brother has gone on a long journey,
He has gone to Canaan's Land,
He has left behind all trouble and sorrow,
To never return again.
For many years he served the Master
For Christ he has taken a stand,
But now his labors and trials are ended,
He has gone to Canaan's Land.
We should not shed tears of sorrow,
When God calls a loved one home,
For He has promised a home in Glory,
For all who choose to come.
Oh, come and join the blood-washed army,
And for Jesus take a stand,
And when you take that last long journey,
You will go to Canaan's Land.

Written by Sister Dorothy

Dausie Hicks Puckett

First of all, I would like to write, this is an honor to be asked her daughter to write this obituary. I hope the Lord will direct my mind on what to write.

Dausie died Saturday, November 17, 1990 in Willard Mercy Hopsital after a brief illness.

Born August 2, 1919 in Risner, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Fair and Narsie Ousley Hicks, she lived in the Plymouth area since 1945. She was a homemaker and private home care giver. She was a member of Little Rebecca Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Faye Sheets and Deborah Hass, both of Plymouth; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; eight brothers, Orville and Pharrow Hicks, both of Willard, George Hicks of Astor, Florida, Edward Hicks of Fredricktown, Dan Hicks of Ethel, Mississippi, John Hicks of New Haven, Willard Hicks of Tiffin, and Elmer Hicks of Flat Rock and five sisters, Darsie Saunders, Bethel Puckett of Orlando, Florida, Wanda Bolen of Sulfur Springs, Bonita Ryman, and Mae Adams, both of Willard.

Her husband Raymond Puckett, died in 1968, and a sister, Sara Catherine Hicks in 1938.

The last time I saw her in the hospital, she was reaching out her hand for us as Buddy and I entered her room and walked toward her bed. She was trying so hard to talk to us, but we couldn't understand her. I told her 'don't try to talk, just try to rest.' I told her the Lord was with her and we loved her, she started crying. Now, she won't shed any more tears for her crying is over.

She was a good example of a christian woman. She was a very quiet and peaceable Sister. I don't think she caused anyone any trouble.

The Little Rebecca Church will miss her, she was so faithful to attend when she could. She loved the church so much.

Jesus said I am the resurrection, and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

She has taken the sweet rest all the children of God want to take. Her worries and troubles have ceased. There will be no more sleepless nights for her. Perfect Peace, Rest, and Joy await her.

May God Bless everyone.



Written by a sister in the Lord,
Carlene Carty

Paul Ratliff

It is with many precious and also lots of sad memories, we will try with the guidance of our Precious Lord to write an obituary of Paul Ratliff. Paul was born March 4, 1919 to the late Lit and Ida May Ratliff at Draffin, Ky. (Pike Co.) and departed this life July 25, 1989. Left to mourn this loss is his wife of 47 years, Anza Green Ratliff of McArthur, OH, 1 daughter, Mrs. John Horan (Deborah K.), John and two precious granddaughters and a grandson. He also left two brothers and five sisters, many cousins, nieces and nephews. He was a very affectionate person and he loved and was very much loved by his in-laws, the whole Green generation. Paul joined the Old Regular



Baptist Church and was baptized on June 16, 1985. His membership was with the Maggie Home Church at Dundis, OH. He loved the Church and wanted to see it prosper. He was serving as their clerk at the time of his death. He loved to join in the good old songs — he would get so happy and raise his hands and praise the Lord. He loved his brothers and sisters of the Church and his many friends and neighbors. He will certainly be missed by all of them. God blessed him to enjoy good health for most of his 69 years then he started feeling tired and run down and was diagnosed as having that terrible, dreadful disease, cancer, and only lived about a year. Despite the good care from the doctors and loving care and attention given to him by all of us, his health was never restored. We feel God sent an angel to take him home to rest, free of pain forever. We all have that same chance if we will but fall out with sin and serve the true and living God.

Written by his lonely widow Anza Ratliff
and his faithful, loving sister-in-law,
Christine Mullins

Elder Harold Gene Senters

It is with a heart full of love and much sorrow, that I will try to write an obituary of my darling Husband, Elder Harold G. Senters. Honey, I miss you so very much and sometimes I think I can't go on. But with the help of my Lord, Jesus Christ, I pray for his help and he gives it to me, if not I couldn't make it. Sleep on Darling, I will see you when Jesus calls me home and we will never be parted again. Harold was a good Husband, Daddy and Grandfather. The Children and Grandchildren miss him very much.

Elder Harold G. Senters was the son of Freelin Senters, who met his Lord in 1954 and Sister Maggie Senters, who yet remains. Harold was born on January 11, 1927 and deceased this life on August 10, 1990 making his stay on earth 63 years, 6 months and 21 days. He had one Brother and one Sister who preceded him in death, Gordan Senters and Wanda Faye Senters. He has two Brothers and Sister left to mourn his loss. His Brothers are Charles Senters of Belcher, Kentucky and Lonnie Ray Senters of Columbus, Ohio and his Sister, so good to her Mother, is Gay Nell Senters at home at Draffin, Kentucky.

Harold and I met and fell in love. I love him very much. To this union were born four Children: one Son, Harold Johnny Senters preceded him in death on June 1, 1965. The remaining Children are two Sons, Larry G. Senters and Richard A. Senters both of Columbus, Ohio and one Daughter, Glenna Y. Senters also of Columbus, Ohio who lives with me at home. She is a great help and I couldn't make it without her. My Husband leaves to mourn and miss their Grandpa 11 Grandchildren.

Brother Harold joined the Little Angel Old Baptist Church on September 26, 1965 in Columbus, Ohio. He was baptized by Brother Hiram Adkins and Brother Paris Tackett. He was a faithful member until his death. He would get up and get ready to go to Church and would say to me Honey, I just can't make it to Church today. The days he couldn't go to Church were so long. He loved to go to Church sometimes he would cry and say Honey, what is wrong I am getting so weak. Harold and Brother Hiram traveled many miles together.



I know he is with Jesus, I know our family's hearts are aching, but we know he has a better home in Heaven around God's Throne and God will take care of his body for sure. So all of our friends and Brothers and Sisters in Jesus, take your rest because Brother Harold, my Husband, earned his rest. Sleep on until resurrection morning when God comes to gather his Children and Jewels from this earth. We will have a wonderful meeting that will last forever and never break up. We will all be happier over there. I hope to see my Children ready to meet their Daddy when the gates swing wide and say come home my Children, I am waiting for you never to part again. I love and miss him oh so much and loved him more than I can say.

Written By Your Loving Wife,
Sister Naomi Stanley Senters
and Family

With a very sad and broken heart, I will try and say a few words about the greatest Dad I had. I know he is with the Lord, Dad, I miss you very much. But I know he is smiling. Being at home, He always told me I am so glad I took off the old coat and put on the new one for the Lord. Dad, I hope I'll be with you once I change my life.

We miss you. There isn't a day that his Granddaughter, Andrea, doesn't talk of him. So Dad, rest in peace. I know you are smiling saying making your life right so we will be together again some day.

With Love Always,
Your Daughter, Glenna

Lindsey Slone

Psalm: 23

With the help of the Lord, we will try to write the Obituary of our loving Husband, Father, and Grandfather, Lindsey Slone. He was born on May 22, 1922 to Judge and Lucy Slone and he left us to be with the Lord on July 18, 1991.

On April 5, 1946, he was united in marriage to Alice Slone, of Garner, Kentucky. To this union were born eight children; four sons: Kenneth Ray, Hershel Phillip, Edward Glen, and Ronald Dean; and four daughters: Avenell, Betty, Bonnie, and Donna.

Lindsey joined the Army December 15, 1942, during World War II, and was discharged on February 18, 1946. He worked in the coal mines for ten years; then he moved his family to Marion, Ohio, where he worked at Tecumseh Products from 1956 until he retired in 1984.



Daddy worked hard to raise his children, at his job and in his garden, to provide for them anyway he could. He taught us all the meaning of love, and always had a kind word for everyone. Daddy learned in February 1991, that he had cancer. He suffered a great deal before the Lord had mercy on his soul and took him home. He had told us several times in his final days, that he just wanted to go home. He told us not to worry about him, and pray for our souls. There will always be an empty place in our hearts, but we are grateful his suffering is over, and he has gone home where he'll have no more pain.

Daddy's favorite church was, Family of Love, in Wyandot, Ohio. His favorite of many songs, were, Family Reunion, and Gone Away With A Friend.

We love you daddy and will miss you terribly. We hope we all meet again someday in Heaven. You will always be in our hearts and in the hearts of your many friends and loved ones.

Lindsey is survived by his wife, all eight children, twelve grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, his mother, five brothers, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, four brothers and five sisters.

Written for our Mother by your loving daughter, son-in-law, grandson, and granddaughter: Betty Norris, Ronald Gayheart, Wendell Gayheart and Kimberly Morris.

Pearlie (Thacker) Slone

With the help of the good Lord, I will write the obituary of my mother-in-law Pearlie T. Slone. Pearlie (Thacker) Slone of Red Creek, she was born in Pike County, Ky. April 17, 1898. She passed away Friday, October 19, 1990, at the Pikeville Methodist hospital. Making her stay on earth 92 years, 6 months and two days. Pearlie was the daughter of the late Elder Dan Thacker and Sofa (Robinson) Thacker. She was the wife of the late Owen Slone who passed away April 19, 1939. She was a homemaker and had been a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church (Frozen Creek) for 62 years.



Besides her parents and husband, Pearlie is preceded in death by four children. Their names are as follows: Florence Slone, Dan A. Slone, Bennie Slone, and Clarence Slone. Also preceding her are nine brothers and sisters. She is survived by two sons and four daughters, Elder Mitchell B. Slone of Fishtrap, KY, Elder David Slone Lorain, OH, Sofa Slone, Nancy Chaney and Mercy Chaney, all of Red Creek, Pikeville, KY, and Liza Kendrick of St. Clair Shores, Michigan. Thirty-eight grandchildren and forty-four great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. Any time you saw Maw she always had a smile and reading her Bible. So Children if you want to meet mother, fall out with sin and get right with God.

Written by her daughter-in-law
Linda Slone

Earlie Smith

With broken hearts, but loving memories, we will try to write the obituary of our precious Dad, Earlie Smith.

Dad was born December 27, 1905, to Ella and Caudill Smith, in Pike County, Kentucky. He had five sisters and two brothers, two of which preceded him in death.

On June 28, 1932, Dad married Mom, Celia Little, who died on June 15, 1983. Through the good times and hard times, we children saw the love Dad and Mom had for each other, and felt their love for us. They had such a unique way of making each one of us feel special.



Dad died July 10, 1991, at age 85, leaving this world to go to his reward in Heaven, leaving 11 children to mourn his death: James E. Mullins, Circleville, Ohio; Alta Bartley, Bowling Fork, Kentucky; Creta Senters, Smithers, W. Va.; Corena Spriggs, Spanish Fort, Alabama; Audrey Mullins, Xenia, Ohio; Pat Ramey, Xenia Ohio; Blanche Harrah, Summersville, W. Va.; Janie Smith, Fairborn, Ohio; Jerry Smith, Wilmington, Ohio; Roger Smith, Stone Mountain, Georgia; and Gregory Smith, Xenia, Ohio.

We are so broken hearted that Dad is gone, yet happy knowing that he was a Child of God.

Dad walked with the Lord many years before he joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized on October 7, 1984, at the House of Prayer, in Beavercreek, Ohio. He dearly loved the fellowship of the saints, and he was so happy to hear the word of God preached by the ministers that he loved so well.

Dad's life was a wonderful witness for his children, and he left a message in his song book asking us kids to "Meet Me Over There." We know this was Mom's request also.

We miss him so very much and pray that we will make it to Heaven to be with Dad and Mom forever.

Written by his loving children

Virgil Stevens

*In my Father's house are many mansions,
I go to prepare a place for you.
I will come again, that where I am,
ye may be also.*

St. John 14: 2-3

With God's help, we will write the obituary of our beloved husband and father, Virgil Stevens. He was born July 26, 1910, a son of the late John Wesley and Pearlle Barker Stevens. He departed this life July 28, 1990, making his stay in life 80 years, 2 days.

In early life he married Goldie Holbrook. To this union was born 7 children, 3 of them preceded him in death. Surviving are his wife and 4 children, Eddie Stevens, Vanlue, Ohio, Lowell Curtis Stevens, Murphy, NC, Ted Stevens, Dunkirk, Ohio and Betty L. Ledford, Hayesville, NC. Also 8 Grandchildren, 7 Great-Grandchildren, 2 sisters and 1 brother.

Dad joined the Macedonia Baptist Church, August 16, 1958 and was baptized by Bro. R.Z. Castle. Shortly after he became a clerk

and Ordained Deacon. He was a faithful member and filled his seat as long as his health would permit. Dad loved the old time way and stood firmly on what he felt and believed. He was so sick for such a long time. I heard him say so many times that he wanted to go home.

Although we miss him and will always hold his memories close to our hearts, we feel sure that his suffering is over and he is resting under the altar of God, awaiting the day of redemption. So sleep on Dad, until we meet again one bright day. We truly believe our loss is Heaven's gain.



Written by Wife and Daughter
Goldie Stevens, Betty L. Ledford

Reese Sturgill

With a sad heart and loving memories I will try to write the obituary of my dear husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Reese Sturgill.

Reese was born November 5, 1896 at Yellow Mountain (Knott County), Kentucky. He left this earth on June 6, 1982. His stay on earth was 85 years and 7 months.

We were married 62 years and 4 months. We had 12 children together. Five of those children are already in heaven with you. I have seven left here on earth with me.



It has been a long time since God called you home (9 years). You are gone from this world, but not forgotten.

Everyone that knew you, family, friends, and neighbors have warm and loving memories of you. You were always honest, when you said something, everyone knew it was the truth. When you promised to do something, everyone knew it would be done.

With this world so full of hatred, crime, drugs, families not getting along and breaking up, You were a beacon of light to anyone who would listen to you. If there were more men in this world today like you, I am sure this would be a much better place to live.

The day God called you home and we had to give you up was a very sad day for us all. It was heaven's gain and earth's loss.

Honest men that believe in God and live by the Bible and cared about their fellow man the way you did are getting fewer each day. You were a member of the Old Regular Baptist since 1930. You loved to go to church and visit with the Brothers and Sisters in church. You also loved to listen to the Preachers while they preached a sermon.

We used to talk about the Bible. We talked about the old days and what lie ahead for us and meeting again someday in Heaven.

The only thing we can do now is hope and pray and live our lives right so when its our time to go, we can join you in heaven. There we can be together forever, where death will separate us no more.

No one could count the falling tears,
While I ponder on the priceless years,
Your life was so precious to everyone,
But most of all, my precious one,
I treasure memories so dear.
For that is all that I have here.
Your memories are my keepsake,
With them I'll never part.
God has you in his keeping,
But I have you in my heart.
God gave us strength to face it,
The courage to meet the blow,
But what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know.
If the world was ours to give,
We'd give it all and more,
Just to see the face we love so dear,
Come smiling through the door.

Written by his sad and lonely wife,
Virgie Sturgill and children

Belle Hall Tackett

In remembrance of my beloved Aunt Bell Hall Tackett. She was born January 12, 1904 at Etty, Long Fork of Virgie, Ky., into the home of Willard and Euna Brown Hall, who lived on Long Fork and Indian Creek, of Virgie, Ky. She passed from this life on August 30, 1990.

She met and married Mark Tackett. Unto this union was born eight children, one daughter and seven sons. Her husband preceded her in death in 1974.

She leaves to mourn her loss one daughter, Alta, of Ashland, Ky. and seven sons, Granville, Grathel, Hillard, Millard, Donald Lee, Fredrick James and Lewis Edward Tackett all of Ashland, Ky. One brother, Edgar Hall of Long Fork of Virgie, Ky., and one sister, Stella Johnson of Indian Creek of Virgie, Ky.

In 1931 they moved to Ashland, Ky., where they lived for the rest of their lives. They were blessed to



raise a large family. Aunt Belle loved her family very much. She was a member of The Little Jewell Old Regular Baptist Church for 45 years at Ashland, Ky. She was loved by all who knew her.

I was always happy to talk to her on the phone. I will always remember her humble voice talking about the great things the Lord had done for her. I thank the good Lord, that I had a wonderful aunt like her. I will never forget her.

I would like to say to her children, if any of you have not made peace with God, don't wait too long, time is drifting by fast. To see your mother again, Jesus is the only way to that happy kingdom, that has no end. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.

I will say goodbye Aunt Belle, until we meet again.

Written by her nephew,
Brother Milford Hall
Myra, Ky.

Draxie Hall Tackett

In memory of my beloved sister Draxie Hall Tackett. She was born October 20, 1920 into the home of the late Elder James Ellis and Judy Bentley Hall, who lived on Long Fork of Virgie, Ky., many years ago. She passed away on October 12, 1990, making her stay on earth 71 years of age.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kermit Tackett and son Wendell. She leaves three sons and four daughters, 27 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, one brother, Milford Hall of Myra, Ky., and a host of friends and relatives to mourn her loss.

I have many precious memories of her. The last talk I had with her was five days before she passed away. I will always remember her, many times I visited her home. I am the last brother she had living. To her children and grandchildren, to see her again, Jesus is the only way to that home on High.



Written by her Brother
Milford Hall
Myra, Ky.

Ruth I. Tackett

Ruth I. Tackett was born July 26, 1934 to Caroline and the late Freel Tackett, in Floyd Co., Kentucky. She was united in marriage to Covis Tackett April 24, 1947. God blessed them with a daughter, Tondala Huddleston, two grandchildren, Jeff Tackett and Vanessa Camilleri, three great-grandchildren, Justin, Bradley, and Jeff.

Ruth was a resident of Ecorse, Michigan for several years and a retiree from Ford Motor Co.

In 1954 Ruth made a commitment to God. She was baptized and became a member of The Old Regular Baptist Church; later to accompany the arm of establishment for the Morning Star Church of Belleville, Michigan. There her membership remained until her death.

Through life Ruth drew many friends. Her family and friends were two very important aspects of her life. She expressed her love for them in action and word.

Illness had gripped Ruth's body for several years. On March 10, 1991 the last breath escaped and through an extending hand of God's mercy, death swallowed her earthly shell.

Ruth's memory is not one of vanity nor is it one to be carved in a monument of stone. When the flowers bloom, she will be a part of their fragrance; when friends cry for each other, she is one of those tears. She is in the love of the old songs of Zion. Her sweet memory shall flourish through all good. As long as the mellow love of Jesus can be felt in a troubled soul, her memory shall flow freely.

When the dark clouds of her passing engulf us we must remember, Ruth watered the lilies of this world with her gifted voice of spiritual song. The God who gave her that gift along with courage, strength and love, chose HER, to water the lilies in a Heaven of Bliss.



Written by a best friend,
Garnett F. Hamilton

John Thornsbery

Praying that God will help me, I will write the obituary of my friend and brother in Christ, John Thornsbery. He was born September 1, 1914, at Raven, Kentucky, to the late N. V. and Minnie (Combs) Thornsbery. John married Sister Laura (Bryant) Thornsbery on May 8, 1939. To this union was born four wonderful sons: Robert Tyrone of Trinity, Alabama, Harold Dean of Elyria, Ohio, Johnny of LaGrange, Ohio, and Gary of Oberlin, Ohio.

John and Laura moved from Kentucky to Ohio in 1954. John worked for Timms Spring Co. of Elyria, and then started working for General Motors, Brook Park Plant where he worked until his retirement in 1980.

Besides Laura, his wife of 52 years, and four sons, John is survived by 10 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a sister, Sister Hazel Maynard, of Greenwich, Ohio. He was preceded in death by one brother, Bro. Herbert; and two sisters, Sister Loonie Collins and Sister Bessie Slone.

Jesus told his disciples or followers to be witnesses for him in Jerusalem and in Judea and the uttermost parts of the earth. I want to say to Sister Laura, her sons and daughters-in-law, and grandchildren that John, before he left this world, was a great witness for our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. When members of the Pleasant View Church would visit him, whether at his home or in the hospital, whether twice a week or twice a day, he always wanted us to sing and pray.*What a wonderful testimony he leaves his family and the Pleasant View Church.

Only one day before his death John told his family that was gathered around his bedside that he wanted to go home. When they reminded him that he was home, he immediately let them know that he was not talking about his earthly home. He wanted to go to his heavenly home, the one not made with hands, whose builder and maker is God.

All who knew Bro. John would have to say he was a follower of and witness for our Lord. I believe with all my heart, about 9 o'clock May 18, 1991, that the hand of Jesus conveyed his soul from this world of sorrow and pain through the gates of heaven to the Paradise of God to enjoy the blessings of heaven forever.



Bro. John's body will remain asleep in the River Road Cemetery, LaGrange, Ohio until our Lord descends from heaven with a shout and the voice of an archangel with John's soul to be reunited with a perfect and glorified body, a body that will never be sick or have cancer again. When John awakes in God's likeness, then will he be perfectly happy and satisfied.

Written by Elder Hayes Chaffins
with the help of Sister Laura
and family

Orville (Shorty) Tuttle

Praying that God will direct our hands, we will write the obituary of Orville (Shorty) Tuttle of 910 Woodbine Street, Willard, Ohio. Shorty was born at Minnie, Kentucky on January 30, 1928 to Henry Tuttle and Sister Daisy (King) Tuttle Freeze. He was a retired coal miner. He started working in the mines at a very young age so his younger brothers could go to school. Shorty came from a very faithful and God fearing family. He and his brothers were taught to fear God and keep his commandments from their youth.

Shorty was married to Sister Marie (Newsome) Tuttle on December 3, 1954. To this happy union was born three children: two daughters — Anna (Tuttle) Bores and Gail (Tuttle) Monson of Millard, Ohio; and one son — Steven Tuttle at home. All are left to mourn his passing.

Besides his wife and children, Shorty leaves to mourn his death, his mother, Sister Daisy (Tuttle) Freeze of Mt. Sterling, Kentucky; six brothers — Burton of Shiloh, Ohio; Ellis and Bro. Holly of Willard, Ohio; Wayne of Plymouth, Ohio; Elder Carl Ray of McDowell, Kentucky; and Elder Buck of Prestonsburg, Kentucky; one sister — Lois Hewitt of Mansfield, Ohio; seven grandchildren — Chad, Lindy, Leah, Nathan, Danielle, Jeremy, and Tonya; and a host of relatives and friends.

Shorty and Sister Marie did a good job in bringing up their children in the admonition of God. When we went to their home after we learned of Shorty's death, his son, Steve, wanted us to sing and have prayer with him and his family. I have always enjoyed talking to Shorty's two daughters, Anna and Gail, about the goodness of God. Steve wanted us to write about



the love and care his dad had for his children. Regardless of whether the things his children did were right or wrong, Shorty was always there to lend a helping hand, and show a father's love for his children.

Shorty was not a member of the church, but we all know that God stands ready and willing to save all who would call on his name from the heart. It is a blessing to me to know how the thief on the cross asked for mercy and received it.

I saw a lot of changes in my cousin over the last few months. Our conversations were centered more upon the word of God and I noticed a more humble heart towards his fellowman. Only God knows what is in a man's heart. God also knows if we are sincere when we call on Him. If Shorty asked God to have mercy on him and forgive him, even as late as on the way to the hospital, God is so full of mercy he would have heard him, and answered his prayer. If this happened, I believe Shorty's soul is enjoying the blessings of heaven this day.

Shorty will not only be missed by his immediate family, but by many people in the surrounding counties of Plymouth and Willard. Just to mention a few people — Dellie King, Earnest Gibson, Hazel Pullem, Mrs. Waddles, Carlene Carty, Joyce Collins, and Mr. Pritchard. He would call so many people just to see if everything was OK. If he heard of someone sick, he would be there to check on them. About five (5) years ago I lost an old friend, Elder Bill Collins, and now I have lost another. So I will say so long old friend and hope that we will meet again in a better land than this one.

Written by Elder Hayes Chaffins
His son, Steve Tuttle and
His old friend, Ivan King

God saw you were sad and weary
And a cure was not to be
So he put his arms around you
And he whispered "Come to me"
You didn't deserve what you went through
And so he gave you rest
God's garden must be beautiful
For he only takes the best

Sadly missed by wife and kids

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