

**MINUTES**

OF THE

**EIGHTY-NINETH ANNUAL SESSION**

OF THE

**SARDIS ASSOCIATION  
OF OLD REGULAR BAPTIST**

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**

**In Session with the Pilgrim's Home Church  
Varney, Pike County, Kentucky  
September 11, 12, and 13, 1981**

**Elder Edwin May—Moderator**

**Elder Wayne Herald—Assistant Moderator**

**Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr.—Clerk**

**Bro. James M. Ray—Assistant Clerk**

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**FRIDAY**  
**September 11, 1981**

The Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ, assembled with the Pilgrim's Home Church, Varney, Pike County, Kentucky on Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1981.

Many of the old and beautiful songs of Zion were "lined" by the Brethren and sung by the congregation in that old fashion way so peculiar to Old Regular Baptist. The sweet melody of hundreds of voices in song, without the sound of a single musical instrument, washed over the soul and aroused the spirit to join in and sing praises to our mighty King!

Elder Edwin May, the humble and resplendent Moderator of Sardis Association, brought this spirit with him to the Stand as he attempted to put into words the "feeling" of gladness in seeing the Brethren come together again both spiritually and naturally, and the "feeling" of thankfulness that, through the mercy and goodness of God, he had been given strength to be here today. But words of mortal man cannot begin to express nor describe the "feeling" of the Spirit which Brother Ed tried to tell us about in his admonishment to "let brotherly love continue."

Elder Isom Hannah opened the Services about the hour of 9:30 a.m. preaching from his TEXT: "Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:78-79). With a multitude of Scriptures, Brother Isom expertly traveled in both the "old" and the "new" Covenant to show the importance of love toward one another wherein our swords are beaten into plowshares and we don't learn war any longer to fight and devour one another. That "Light" is none other than Jesus Christ, our Lord, and through Him the remission of sins is available to all men. Brother Isom then led in prayer.

According to the arrangements made by the Brethren last year, Elder Wallace Muncy came to the Stand to preach the Introductory Sermon from his TEXT: "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief

corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." (Ephesians 3:19-22).

Brother Wallace, like Solomon, desiring the wisdom of God more than all the riches of the world, very aptly linked the scriptures to show that with God there is "order" in all things, naturally and spiritually. After he diligently described the "order" of the first tabernacle, Brother Wallace showed that every man, and woman too, coming to Christ will fit into his proper place in the building built without hands, with Christ as its chief corner stone, and that all will be connected one to the other in faith in the house of the Lord. Just like the bones in a dry valley in Ezekiel's day, or like the two sticks, one had written "For Judah" and on the other "For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim" and when joined together became one in his hand, when we are born again we will be fitly framed and set in "order" in the building by the Lord.

As the twelve loaves of bread were placed in the first tabernacle and it was never without bread, Christ is set in the building as the bread of life where there is bread enough and plenty in our Father's house. From the building of the first Tabernacle the House of the Lord has not been without bread nor His children gone begging in the market place.

Brother Wallace advised the Brethren to look for the old, ancient land marks and, when we have found them, to ask God for wisdom, as Solomon did, in determining what they mean and then to follow them.

The Sardis Association delegates, and a large delegation from our corresponding Sister Associations, then assembled at the House where arrangements had been made for the work of the Sardis Association. As is our custom, the many non-delegate Brethren and the Sisters and friends remained at the tent to enjoy further that "feeling" which started even before we came up Brushy Creek this morning through the preaching of the Brethren.

Elder Grover Adkins, Moderator of the New Salem Association introduced the Service at the House and led in prayer.

We then proceeded as follows:

(1) Elder Edwin May, Moderator of the Sardis Association, came to the Stand hoping this would be the best Association ever. Brother Ed declared the need we have for each other and the strength of one for the other. He was very thankful to God for the strength God had given him over the past 30-years to travel to the several Churches and Associations and prayed the "feeling" of brotherly love would continue to abide with us throughout this Association.

(2) The Moderator appointed a Committee on Finance to receive the contributions sent to the Association by the several churches as follows:

Brother Edwin Hay  
Brother Landon Taylor  
Elder Ellis Davis

(3) The Moderator called for the Letters from the Sardis Association Churches to be handed in to the Clerk and for the contributions to be handed in to the Committee on Finance.

(4) The Letter from the Pilgrim's Home Church was read by the Clerk and, upon regular move and second, all Letters were received, the delegates seated and all Queries and Requests were referred to the Committee on Arrangements.

(5) The Committee on Finance reported \$2,825.00 received from the churches as reported in the Statistical Table and, after turning this amount over to the Treasurer, was discharged.

(6) The Moderator appointed a Committee to take the vote of the Sardis Association delegates, who were instructed to vote for a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Brother Dexter Dixon, Clerk, New Salem Association  
Brother John M. Mullins, Clerk, Union Association  
Brother Elzie Reed, Clerk, Old Friendship Association

(7) The Sardis Association then completed its organization by selecting the following officers to serve for the coming year:

Elder Edwin May, Moderator  
Elder Wayne Herald, Assistant Moderator  
Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Clerk  
Brother James M. Ray, Assistant Clerk

(8) By move and second, it is ordered that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during the setting of the Association.

(9) Committee appointed to take care of the visiting Brethren and to see that the Stand be supplied with Ministers as follows:

Brother K. H. Williamson  
Elder Louie Muncy  
Brother Leslie Gale McGuire  
Brother Troy Walters

(10) By move and second, the reading of our Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith was omitted.

(11) The Moderator called for the Letters from our corresponding Sister Associations. The following Letters were read and, by move and second, were received, the delegates seated with us in council and given the right hand of fellowship by our Moderator:

UNION: Represented by the following delegates: Fon Bowling, Jack Cleveringer, Jimmy Dale Sanders, Victor Coleman, Corbin Spears, Audie McClanahan, Paul McClanahan, Edgar Deel, Bill Burke, Junior Wellman, Earl Cantrell, Charles Wright, Nick England, Allen Thacker, Orbin May, Frank Thacker, Frank Thacker, Jr., Irvin McKinney, Dewey Sexton, Felix Sexton, Jesse L. Williamson, John M. Mullins, Arthur Duty, Hufford Coleman, Bill Hess, Arnold Clevinger, Perry Layne, Fred Rowe, Paris Senters, King Cole-

man, Lonnie Mounts, Allen Thacker, Delbert Sanders, Lee Layne, Marshall Williamson, Fred Overstreet, Jim Green May, Hermon West and Alvin Thornsbury.

**NEW SALEM:** Represented by the following delegates: Orville Hamilton, Don Parker, Jimmy Hall, Grover Adkins, Halter Kiser, A.O. McKnight, Mills Roberts, Ellis Holbrook, Arnold Tackett, Edd Moore, George W. Woods, Walter Akers, Jethro Hampton, Dexter Dixon, Norman Conn, Freeel Tackett, Jesse Jones, Milford Howell, Alvin Brown, Lonnie West, Harrison Nichols, Lonnie Tackett, Hiram Adkins, Hobert Hamilton, Hobert Bates, Cobert Bates, Allen Pits, Tazzie Hamilton, Tolt Hicks, Woodrow Dye, James Tackett, Ted Robinson, Preston Tackett, Calvin Birchfield, Delmer Williams, Jink Ray, Eddie Tackett, George Mathews, Henry Little, Wendell Hamilton, Sam Justice, John Justice, Amos Bartley, Frank M. Coleman, John G. Stratton and Phiness Ray.

**NORTHERN NEW SALEM:** Represented by the following delegates: Ray Hamilton, Pete Hensley, Maynard Ratliff, James Gillum, Buddy Carty, Jeffrey Dillon, John Mullins, H.N. Vanderpool, Okie Kent, John B. Hale, Jackson Holbrook and Ernest Prater.

**PHILADELPHIA:** Represented by the following delegates: Paul Morrison, Doug Colegrove, Calvin Adkins, Emmitt Gillespie, Walter Morrison, Silas Stumbo, Rush Stanley, Paul Boggs, Howard Adkins, David Ross, Harvey Ross, Chester Allen, Willis Tolliver, Rollen Hollens and Thurman Carter.

**OLD FRIENDSHIP:** Represented by the following delegates: John R. Justice, Elzie Reed, Leonard Coleman, Billy J. May, Danny Hurley, Moran Reynold, Orville Street, Matthew Justice, Robert Lester, Lacy Justice, David Lester, Hurschell Hurley, Robert Mullins and Dave Gibson.

(12) The Moderator called for transient Ministers and members of our same faith and order and received the following:

Ernest Cochran	Stewart Brown
Donnie Brown	James M. Ray
Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr.	Ross Cline
Uley Perry	Tommy Adair
Clarence Robinson	

(13) The Moderator called for newly organized Churches or other Churches and Associations of our same faith and order desiring to take up correspondence and fellowship with the Sardis Association and none responded.

(14) Committee appointed to arrange the preaching for Friday night and Saturday consisting of one delegate from each church and the entire Pilgrim's Home Church delegation. They reported as follows:

**FRIDAY NIGHT**  
Elder Hurshell Hurley, Old Friendship Association  
Elder Walter Akers, New Salem Association  
Elder Alvin Osborne, New Salem Association

**SATURDAY**  
Elder Hiram Adkins, New Salem Association  
Elder James Tackett, New Salem Association  
Elder Buddy Carty, Northern New Salem Association  
Elder Fon Bowling, Union Association

(15) Committee on Arrangements appointed consisting of one delegate from each Church in the Sardis Association, along with the Moderators and Clerks, and the entire delegation from our corresponding Sister Associations to arrange the business for Saturday's session.

(16) On motion from Elder Clifford Maynard and second by Elder Bobby Scott, the Sardis Association was adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning.

## SATURDAY September 12, 1981

Met pursuant to adjournment at the House where Elder Delbert Sanders of the Union Association introduced the services and Elder Fon Bowling, the able Assistant Moderator of the Union Association, led in prayer.

We then proceeded as follows:

(1) Called the roll of delegates and marked the absentees.  
(2) Read the Bill of Arrangements and by move and second, received the report and discharged the Committee on Arrangements.

(3) Appointed a Committee to take the vote of the delegates on who shall preach the Introductory Sermon, who shall be his alternate and who shall prepare the Circular Letter for our 1982 Association as follows:

Elder Herman West, Union Association  
Elder David Lester, Old Friendship Association  
Elder Delmer Williams, New Salem Association

They reported as follows and were discharged:

Elder Wayne Herald, Preach the Introductory Sermon  
Elder Tommy Adair, Alternate  
Elder Wayne Herald, prepare the Circular Letter

(4) The same Committee appointed Friday to arrange the preaching met to select preachers for Saturday night and Sunday. They reported as follows, and were discharged:

**SATURDAY NIGHT**  
Elder Hobert Hamilton, New Salem Association  
Elder John Lowe, Sardis Association  
Elder Tommy Adair, Sardis Association

SUNDAY

Elder Rush Stanley, Philadelphia Association  
 Elder Delbert Sanders, Union Association  
 Elder Eddie Tackett, New Salem Association  
 Elder Edwin May, Moderator, Sardis Association

(5) Called for the Association Treasurer to report and, by move and second, received the following report:

Balance on hand September 14, 1980	\$3,779.07
Less paid out for 1980:	
Printing 3800 Minutes	2,387.00
Balance on hand September 11, 1981	1,392.07
Add 1981 receipts:	
Received from the Churches	\$2,825.00
Received from Obituary Pictures	287.00
Other cash donations:	
Myrtle Maynard	20.00
Interest received on Savings Account	19.75
Total Receipts	\$3,152.25
Balance on hand September 13, 1981	\$4,544.32
Bank balances, First National Bank, Pikeville, Ky.:	
Checking Account	5.00
Savings account	4,539.32
Balance as above	\$4,544.32

(6) By move and second, it is requested that we advise the Churches to increase their contribution to the Association by at least 25% because of expected increases in cost.

(7) By move and second, it is ordered that the Clerk be appointed Secretary-Treasurer for 1981 and that he be allowed \$50.00 for his expense.

(8) By move and second, it is ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of our Minutes, that he have 4,000 copies printed and that he be allowed \$100.00 for his expense.

(9) Elder Edwin May, being chosen last year to prepare a Circular Letter for our 1981 session, humbly and sincerely apologized for his failure to perform this task and asked the Association to forgive him. He stated that, to the best of his knowledge, this was the first time in 30 years he had failed to do what the Sardis Association had asked him to do but bad health prevented him from doing the job he had put off too long after our 1980 Association.

Perhaps every member of the Sardis Association knows of Brother Ed's bad health and has prayed for his life to be spared during his several periods of hospital confinement. At his request the Bent Branch Church, Brother Ed's home Church, met in prayer about 6:30 a.m. the morning of his open heart surgery. We firmly believe God heard these prayers because Brother Ed, according to the doctors, excelled in recovery and went home before other patients who were younger and stronger.

With much love and understanding the Association, on move from Brother Edwin Hay, second by Elder Monroe Ousley, excused Brother Ed and granted his request to reprint this year the 1947 "Farewell" written by the beloved Elder Hi Maynard.

(10) Read the Request from Mt. Pleasant Church and from Sidney Church and by move and second gave the Clerk permission to print the obituaries of Joseph Bonovan Thornsbury and Elder Jerry Cline.

(11) By regular move and second, Item (13) of our 1980 Minutes is not reprinted but it is still in full force and effect.

(12) The Clerk made a report on the study he made of reprinting all of the Orders on our Association Record Book that are still in force and effect. After much informative discussion on the matter a move and second was made to deny the 1980 Request of Bethany Church and not publish the Orders. An objection was filed by Elder Ellis Davis whereupon a vote of the delegates showed 66 in favor of the motion and 15 in favor of the objection.

(13) Ordered that Item (15) of our 1980 Minutes not be reprinted since it adequately sets forth our position but that Item (18) of our 1919 Minutes be reprinted for information purposes as follows:

*Ordered that we advise our Churches not to allow their Ministers to preach with any minister who has two living women.*

(14) Ordered that our gratitude to New Salem Association be shown by printing the following:

Letter of Condolence  
 to our Sister, Sardis Association

To the members and friends of the Sardis Association we take this opportunity to express our sympathy to both of you for the loss of those great Soldiers of the Cross, Elder Tracy Hatfield, Elder Jimmy Deeley and Elder J. H. May. They left their mark and we are sure it will never be erased and they will long be remembered in the Old Regular Baptist family. So take heed to their teaching and you will not stray from the old path.

New Salem Association,  
 Elder Grover Adkins, Moderator  
 Elder Burton Howard, Assistant Moderator  
 Brother Dexter Dixon, Clerk  
 Elder Glenn Pack, Assistant Clerk

(15) Ordered that we correspond with the UNION, NEW SALEM, NORTHERN NEW SALEM, PHILADELPHIA and OLD FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATIONS, that the Clerk prepare the Letters and a file of Minutes; and that delegates be appointed to attend as follows:

UNION: When convened with the Little Martha Church, Vansant, Buchanan County, Virginia on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1981: Stewart Brown, Jim Bevins, Earl Belcher, Robert Clay, Uley Perry, Sam Justice, Glenn Williamson, Billy Brumfield, Edwin May,

Ross Cline, Charles Pinson, Bobby Scott, Russell Thacker, Willie Stiltner, Alson Thornsbury, Wayne Herald, Steven Robinson and K. H. Williamson. Letter in the hands of Elder Edwin May.

*NEW SALEM:* When convened at the permanent Association Building, Minnie, Floyd County, Kentucky on Friday before the fourth Saturday in September 1981: Stewart Brown, J.L. Nichols, Landon Taylor, Glenn Williamson, Oscar McCoy, Wayne Herald, Robert Clay, Merton Secco, Homer Collins, Uley Perry, Milford Lowe, Freddie Maynard, Jim Bevins, Charles Pinson, Mike Sheppard, Willie Stiltner, Alson Thornsbury, Julius Cochran, W. H. Cochran, Chester Cochran, Delbert Kazee, Bobby Scott, Donnie Brown, Ross Cline, Edwin Hay, Charles Thompson, Claude Brown, Edwin May, K. H. Williamson and Steve Robinson. Letter in the hands of Elder Wayne Herald.

*NORTHERN NEW SALEM:* When convened with the Little Rebecca Church, Plymouth, Ohio on Friday before the first Saturday in August 1982: Edwin Hay, Delbert Kazee, Monroe Ousley, John Jude, Clyde Brown, Julius Cochran, Wayne Herald, S.D. Hensley, Edwin May, Donny Brown, Joe Evans, W. H. Cochran, Russell Thacker, Steve Robinson and K. H. Williamson. Letter in the hands of Brother Edwin Hay.

*PHILADELPHIA:* When convened with the Bethany Church at the permanent Association Building, Melrose, Kentucky beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in August, 1982: John Jude, Berlin Thornsbury, Edwin Hay, W. H. Cochran, S. D. Hensley, Chester Cochran, Julius Cochran, Johnny Nichols, John Fouch, Donny Brown, Delbert Kazee, James Gannon, Bobby Scott, David Crigger, Freddy Maynard, Charles Thompson, Elwood Maynard, Claude Brown, Billy Brumfield, Junior Caudill, Clyde Brown, Ernest Cochran, Stewart Brown, Glen Williamson, K. H. Williamson and Steve Robinson. Letter in the hands of Elder James Gannon.

*OLD FRIENDSHIP:* When convened with the old Samaritah Church, Jolo, West Virginia beginning on Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1982: Berlin Thornsbury, James Gannon, Edwin May, Donny Brown, Claude Brown, Chester Cochran, Mark Cline, Julius Cochran, Charles Thompson, Lawrence Leslie, Jerry Thompson, Ross Cline, Fay Scott, Edward Runyon, Wayne Herald, Jr., Junior Caudill, David Crigger, Glen Williamson, Stewart Brown, Steve Robinson, K. H. Williamson and Charles Thompson. Letter in the hands of Elder Berlin Thornsbury.

(16) Tent Committee report was made by Elder Clifford Maynard and, on move and second, was accepted.

(17) A move and second not to reprint Item (20) of our 1980 minutes but that it still be in full force and effect met with an objection filed by Elder David Crigger. A vote of the delegates showed 19 in favor of the move and 34 in favor of the objection. Therefore, the Item is reprinted as follows:

Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist

Brethren:

In answer to the Query from the Dix Fork Church asking "Does the Sardis Association believe in Sisters wearing pants, slacks or shorts?" We, as an Advisory Council and not as a law making body say:

To answer this Query in the affirmative would be interpreted by some Brethren too liberally and they would say we have laid down the gate and opened the doors to anything and everything.

To answer this Query in the negative would be interpreted by some Brethren too strictly and they would say we have shut the door on everything and Committees would flow from Church to Church like water.

We believe the Sardis Association should advise the Churches to advise their members - both Brethren and Sisters - to dress soberly and modestly and to conduct themselves in a manner that becometh a Child of God. We believe that each Child of God will adorn themselves in such a manner that they can easily be identified from the World. We feel the Bible, the infallible Word of God, sets forth and the Spirit will teach us how we should dress and conduct ourselves.

We believe, and the Association has so stated in the past, that each Church in the Sardis Association holds the key to its own door and is the sole judge of the conduct of its members so long as they follow the orthodox principles of religion and keep up a Godly discipline according to the rules of the Gospel as laid down in the Scriptures. In fact, Article 3 of our Constitution guarantees that the Association shall not infringe on the internal right of the Churches.

Elder Wayne Herald  
Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr.  
Brother James M. Ray

(18) The Association, by regular move and second, said that if a Sister has cut her hair, she should be asked to let it grow out; if she fails to do so and cuts her hair again, she will be excluded.

(19) By motion and second, it is ordered that we advise our Ministers of our Association not to marry people in adultery, where either man or woman has a living wife or husband.

(20) A Request from the Rebecca Church asks, "In the receiving of members having more than one living companion, does the criteria of receiving the innocent party also apply to the receiving of members by other than baptism (restoration, recommendation, letter)?"

On regular move and second, the word "receive" in the following Item 21 is defined to include "any means of receiving members".

(21) In answer to the question, "Shall we receive into fellowship men or women having more than one wife or husband?" The Association by regular move and second said, "We advise the Churches not to receive into their fellowship any such, except those who have put away their companion for the cause of fornication, such cases to have Gospel or Church evidence of same."

(22) By motion and second, it is ordered that request for Union, Communion and Memorial Meetings be published in our Minutes.

(23) By motion and second, it is ordered that Obituaries of our deceased Brothers and Sisters that are in good standing with the Church at the time of death be printed in our Minutes. These are to be presented to the Clerk at the end of the Association. A charge of \$10.00 will be made for a picture printed with the obituary, except that pictures of an Elder or his wife will continue to be printed free.

(24) By move and second, it is requested that all of our Churches who can do so should send help to the Rebecca Church who will host our 1982 Association. All donations should be sent not later than May 1982.

(25) Ordered that we omit this year only the report of the Brethren called in Association, Union and Communion Meetings.

(26) Ordered that we grant the Request of the Rebecca Church to host the 1982 session of the Sardis Association. The Rebecca Church is located at Myrtle, West Virginia. Take U.S. Route 119 from Williamson, West Virginia toward Logan, West Virginia to the Miller Creek Bridge; then, take the four lane road to the Belo Bridge; then, go to the second exit on the left and turn left; then, go one-half (1/2) mile on old Route 65 to the church.

(27) The Sardis Association by unanimous voice tenders a most sincere "thank you" to this wonderful community and the Pilgrim's Home Church for the unfeigned love and support we received during these entire three days. We are especially grateful and indebted to Mrs. Tanny Williamson who so graciously allowed us the unrestricted use of her property for the tent and parking. A special prayer is made that God will reward her ever so generous offering.

We are everly thankful to the many, many Brethren, Sisters and friends of the several other Churches who contributed their prayers, time, food and funds to make this Association a success. Just as the spiritual man was fed by the "feeling" of this Association, the fantastic cooking of our dear Sisters fed the natural man to overflowing.

We further recognize the generous donation of Bobby Hurt of Collins Lumber Company who provided cinder block and lumber; the Pike County Deputy Sheriff's Richard Akers, Jimmy Carter, Robert (Pee Wee) Meede, Woodrow Young and Clifford Staton, who directed the traffic and parking; the Justice Funeral Home and John's Creek Funeral Home, with Perry Justice, and the Call Brothers Funeral Home, with Bradford (Boot) Hall, who provided tents and chairs; and the ever so many others who contributed in so many ways to our comfort and enjoyment.

Silver and gold have we none, but such as we have give we to thee with prayers that the great and mighty God of Heaven will richly bless you for your every act of kindness.

(28) Ordered that the reading of these Minutes be omitted and that they be signed by the Officers of the Sardis Association.

(29) On motion from Brother Edwin Hay, second from Brother Frankie White, it is ordered that the Sardis Association adjourn to the place mentioned above at our regular meeting time, the Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1982.

(30) The Sardis Association then adjourned by way of prayer.

This work done and signed by the Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ.

Elder Edwin May, Moderator  
Elder Wayne Herald, Assistant Moderator  
Brother Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Clerk  
Brother James M. Ray, Assistant Clerk

## SUNDAY September 13, 1981

The "feeling" that made itself manifest at the beginning of our Association continues to overshadow this great congregation. Just a taste of Heaven on Earth engulfs the body, swells the heart, fills the soul and takes the breath away! Oh, Lord, the joy of your salvation shines like the glory of the full moon in the faces of my blessed Brethren and Sisters today.

According to the Arrangements, Elder Rush Stanley from our beloved Sister, the Philadelphia Association, Introduced the Service and led in prayer. The other Brethren listed in the Arrangements, Elder Deb Sanders and Elder Eddie Tackett, were not present and we are pleased that Brother Rush did come back today.

Elder Tommy Adair, our articulate and highly esteemed Brother of the South, come to the Stand and with great patience preached from his Text: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28). Brother Tommy, while touching on some lesser figures, preached the examples of David, of Jacob and of Moses.

Elder Edwin May, our beloved Moderator and Elder Statesman, come to the Stand dreading the sad part of our Association when we must tell each other "Farewell" and begin the long journey home. But the saddest time will come days from now when the "feeling" has subsided and the Brethren aren't around to talk with.

## CIRCULAR LETTER

Brother Ed, strong in the spirit but feeble in the body, preached from his subject, "Trust in God". Brother Ed proclaimed there is joy and peace in this life if we will only trust God and follow Him. We will know Him because He goes before His sheep. "Follow the Lord!" "Follow the Lord!" was Brother Ed's cry as he admonished the people to "trust God", He'll make a way for you if you put your whole trust in Him.

Brother Ed straightly charged the young Brethren and Sisters to keep on watching, God's people can be a strength to one another, trust God and trust one another. In the jaws of death because of open-heart surgery, Brother Ed was once again shown that prayer is the key that unlocks the storehouse of mercy and goodness in Heaven through the prayers of the Bent Branch Church who met while he was being operated upon.

He further admonished all the Brethren and Sisters to be partial one to the other, pray for one another, trust one another, love one another, forgive one another and help one another. If we do these things in the Lord, we will find peace and joy in this world and in Heaven.

Elder Woody Pack began a song and the congregation could not withhold the shouts for glory any longer and the Association came to an end with the same "feeling" it began with.

Our own humble, and greatly loved, Elder Lloyd SESCO dismissed in prayer. May God bless the Sardis Association with a double portion of His love until we meet again.

Your Clerks.

*(Clerk's Note: As ordered by the Association, the following obituary and letter of Elder Hi Maynard, printed in our 1947 Minutes, replaces the usual Circular Letter.)*

### Elder Hi Maynard

Elder Hi Maynard born in Pike County, Ky., on April 19th, 1874. Came to West Virginia in 1891 and began teaching in the Public school at the age of 16, in Logan County, (now Mingo.)

Was married on September 27th, 1894 to Elizabeth Runyon, the youngest daughter of Squire A. L. Runyon, Sr. To this union there was born 11 children, all surviving except one, who passed on in infancy. The living children are: Mary Hall, J. A., A. J., Samuel, William C. and John H. Maynard, Brookie Hay, Nannie Butcher, Mae Adkins, and Mattie. Had 25 grandchildren, one great-grandchild and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss.

He united with the Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ in 1894, was baptized by Elder A. L. (Zan) Dempsey, and was ordained to preach the Gospel on the First Sabbath in July, 1895.

He was very studious in his Bible study and spent many years to study to shew himself approved unto God a workman that needeth not be ashamed rightly dividing the Word of Truth.

He was firm in his convictions, brief in his speech, persuasive and convincing in his discourses, but would yield if wrong.

His field of labor for the years was spent in West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia and North Carolina.

He helped to organize several Churches and was instrumental in the hand of God to point many poor souls to the "Lamb of God."

The wife of his youth suddenly passed on April 3, 1920, and left him with a large family of motherless children. He was married the second time to Mrs. Nannie Webb on January 3rd, 1921. She only lived until July 3rd, 1925, and his third marriage was to Mrs. Brookie Salmon on August 27th, 1926.

His last days were devoted almost entirely to his calling - Preaching the Gospel of the Saviour of all men and Special Saviour of those who believe.

He, in his last days, would go far and near to answer calls to preach, though burdened with disease and pain. He did not complain much. He enjoyed the Brotherhood of the Church, and believed it was the only institution for a child of God. He believed in the infallibility of the word of God and emphasized the Doctrine of the resurrection of the dead, also was a strong advocate of eternal Happiness of the Children of God, and everlasting punishment of the wicked and un-Godly.

He advocated the doctrine of Salvation by grace through faith in Christ Jesus; that faith justified, but grace saved.



He fully believed in the example of Jesus Christ-Fet washing, that it should be observed by his children, for in doing these things we are happy.

He was a firm believer in the Doctrine of a "visible" Kingdom or Church, and that it was organized and given its laws by its law giver Jesus Christ.

He believed in the final perseverance and the eternal victory of the Church, and in the resurrection the last enemy which is Death would be destroyed.

He refused to acknowledge any human head for the Church, believing that Christ was, is, and shall forever remain the Priest, Prophet, King and Head of the Church and through Him and by Him, and Him alone we have an access to God.

He ignored artificial and human plans for the Salvation of sinners, thereby contended that a man called of God could and would preach the Word and the Word was quick and powerful, and sinners were convinced of sin by the Holy Spirit.

He believed in the continuance of brotherly love in the Church and that if one member suffer all the members suffer, for we are members of the same body - the Body of Jesus Christ.

He delighted in the tranquillity and peacefulness of the Church and was greatly disturbed when trouble arose among the children of God.

He believed that though miracles had passed yet the gift of healing by the prayer of faith was effectual as described by the Apostle James.

That the children of God should not forsake the assembling of themselves together for the purpose of worship, prayer and in love for the perpetuation of the lovely union and fellowship of the Church.

That we should constantly and earnestly contend for the faith once delivered unto the Saints, loving with pure hearts fervently both our Brethren and the Lord Jesus Christ, our Elder Brother, who was delivered for our transgressions and rose again for our justification.

Be thou faithful unto death.

"Farewell."

Hi Maynard,

Rt. 1, Williamson, W. Va.,

August 29, 1944.

To my many precious and beloved Brethren who live among the hills and mountains of West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky and other states:  
Beloved:

As my labors in the cause of my Master are now finished and I must lay my armour down, I can, and do rejoice in my Saviour's love that my preaching was not with deceit nor with envy and strife but have endeavored to speak to you prayerfully and under the influence of His precious Spirit and grace.

I now feel that my work is done here on earth; and I pray to God that after my passing you will strive for things that will cause peace, love and fellowship to reign in your midst. Let brother love continue. Live in peace among yourselves. Pray for one another, be sober, be humble, be obedient to our great leader - Jesus Christ in all things. God will keep his own even in the hours of trial and persecution.

My voice will soon be stilled by death, but I thank His holy name, I shall soon be blessed to see Him in whom I trust and in whom I believe and who saved my poor soul and who shall, on that sweet day redeem my body by His great power to raise in the great and glorious Victory over death and the grave. That will be final victory - all through my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Thanks be to His great Name.

Brethren farewell - avoid back-biting, tattling and evil speaking. Speak the things that become sound doctrine, and let love reign with forgiving hearts and God will bless you in your gatherings in His Holy name. The time is short, be prayerful and sincere.

May His grace be with you through Jesus' name. Amen.

Sincerely,

Hi Maynard.

## UNION AND COMMUNION MEETINGS

### AND MINISTERS TO ATTEND

#### APRIL

**SOUTHERN HOME:** Friday before the first Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Services will be held Friday evening and Monday evening. Ministers called: Joe Evans, Billy Brumfield, Monroe Ousley, Albert Hamilton, Clifford Maynard, David Baisden, Ed May, Alfred Fields, James Gannon and Luther Conn.

**OKEECHOBEE:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Albert Hamilton, Louie Muncy and Eddie Tackett.

**LITTLE ROSA:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Wallace Muncy, Woody Pack, Isom Hannah, Wayne Herald and Alson Thornsberry.

#### MAY

**SALEM:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Charlie Johnson, Steven Robinson, Grover Adkins and Mont Ellis.

**TURKEY CREEK:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Louie Muncy and Isom Hannah.

#### JUNE

**APPLE ORCHARD:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 1:00 p.m. Ministers called: Virgil Fields, Milford Lowe, Sabert Nichols, Tom Dials, and Wallace Muncy. Dinner served Sunday near the Church.

**ENON:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Clifford Maynard, Mark Cline, Johnny Cline, Steve Robinson and Moderator attending.

**ELIZABETH:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday. Ministers called: Andrew Maynard, Ellis Amburgy, Wallace Muncy, Sabert Nichols and Moderator attending.

**MUNCY VALLEY:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: All Regular Baptist Ministers invited.

**PILGRIM'S REST:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday evening. Ministers called: Bobby Scott, Clifford Maynard, Wallace Muncy and Moderators attending.

**BUCK CREEK:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Wallace Muncy, Ross Cline, David Lester, Sabert Nichols and Moderator attending.

**BENT BRANCH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. This is our Union Meeting and the Communion meeting is in August. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Wallace Muncy and Thomas Dials.

**SIDNEY:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Wallace Muncy, Milford Lowe, Isom Hannah, Hobert Hamilton and Virgil Fields.

**LITTLE VIRGIE:** Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., Milford Lowe, Freddy Maynard, Clifford Maynard and Moderator attending.

#### JULY

**DIX FORK:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Eddie Tackett, James Tackett, Jimmy Dale Sanders and Nick England.

**SAMARIA:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Steve Robinson, Jr., George Woods, Joe Evans, and Wayne Herald.

**LEANNAH:** Second Saturday. Communion Saturday evening at 1:00 p.m. Ministers called: Mark Cline, Johnny Cline, Billy May, and Wayne Herald.

**MT. PLEASANT:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Fon Bowling, Hiram Adkins, Wayne Herald, Clifford Maynard and Moderator attending.

**LITTLE TAVIE:** Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Anthony Hamilton, Hobert Hamilton, Burlin Thornsberry, Millis Roberts, Virgil Fields and Joe Evans.

**BIG BRANCH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 1:00 p.m. Ministers called: Clifford Maynard, Howard Coleman and Moderator attending.

**MARY ELIZABETH:** Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Virgil Fields, Hiram Adkins and Freddy Kidd.

**NARROWS BRANCH:** Our Union Meeting is the Friday before the fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Ed May, Hobert Hamilton, David Crigger, Ronald Scott, Wallace Muncy and Moderator attending.

#### AUGUST

**TYBITHA:** First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Willie Stitner, Alson Thornsberry, Ed May, and Ellis Davis.

*REBECCA*: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Ross Cline, Ison Hannah, Paul Adkins, Edwin May and Hillard Newsome.

*ELK FORK*: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Mark Cline, Lawrence Lester, Bill May and Joe Evans.

*BENT BRANCH*: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: David Baisden, Ison Hannah and Johnny Cline. Our Union Meeting is in June.

*ROSA*: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday evening. Ministers called: Fales Cotton, Burl Sturgill, David Lester, Darvin Sturgill and Johnny Newsome.

*BETHANY*: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Charlie Evans, Eales Cotton, George Woods, Wallace Muncy, Edward Runyon and Andrew Maynard.

*SARDIS*: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m. Ministers called: Billy May, Alson Thornsberry, George Woods and S.D. Hensley.

*PILGRIM'S HOME*: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Sunday evening. Ministers called: Grover Adkins, Wallace Muncy and Ison Hannah.

## MEMORIAL MEETINGS

### MARCH

*OKEECHOBEE CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all deceased members of Okeechobee Church on the second Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Edwin Hay, Ellis Amburgy, Clifford Maynard, Buddy Carty, Don Gibson and Moderator attending.

### APRIL

*MEMORIAL MEETING* of Victoria Smith and Joseph Thornsberry will be held at the Mt. Pleasant Church on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Edwin May, Clifford Maynard, John P. Church, Hershell Huff, and Moderator attending.

### MAY

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of George Duncan at the Church on Meathouse on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Sabert Nichols, Tom Dials, Milford Lowe, Louie Muncy and Wayne Herald.

*ELK FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Willie Stiltner, Alson Thornsberry and Clifford Maynard.

*BIG BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of the Ratliff family on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, David Crigger, Howard Coleman, and J.L. Nichols.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held for all the deceased on the Julius Scott Cemetery at Hardy, Ky. on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Edwin May, Bobby Scott, Wayne Herald and Grover Adkins.

*MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the third Sunday in memory of Zella Mae (Frale) Harrison. Ministers called: Wallace Muncy, Wayne Herald, Bobby Scott and Fay Scott.

*LITTLE VIRGIE CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all deceased members and friends of the Little Virgie Church on the fourth Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Berlin Thornsberry, James Tackett, Matt Justice, and Assistant Moderator attending.

*NARROWS BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Lloyd SESCO, Frankie Scott, Tommy Dials, Alson Thornsberry, Edwin May and Clifford Maynard.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Jobe Blackburn and all the deceased on that cemetery on the fourth Sunday. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Tom Dials, Milford Lowe and Ed Runyon.

*BETHANY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting at the Hannah Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

*SARDIS CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on Sunday after the fourth Saturday on the Justice Cemetery at Lando, West Virginia. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., David Baisden, Joe Evans and Lawrence Lester.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held on the Stanley Cemetery at Dix Fork on the last Sunday. All Regular Baptist ministers are invited. Also, a Meeting up the hollow at the Brown Cemetery at 4:00 p.m.

*SARDIS CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Pigeon Roost Cemetery on May 30th at 2:30 p.m. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., and Joe Evans.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held at the home of Finley and Vada Maynard on the odd Sunday. Ministers called: Louie Muncy, Willie Stiltner, and Freddy Maynard. Dinner will be served.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held at the home of Mrs. Willard (Mae) Robinette for all the deceased on the Jeff Robinette Cemetery on May 30th at 11:00 a.m. Ministers called: Clifford Maynard, Clarence Owens, Marvin Hall and Milford Lowe.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a special memorial meeting at the home of Walker Scott on Blaine Creek in Lawrence County on May 30th. Ministers called: Sabert Nichols, Wayne Herald, Milford Lowe and Tom Dials.

## JUNE

*SOUTHERN HOME CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday for all members of Southern Home Church. Ministers called: Millis Roberts, Earl Belcher, Alfred Fields, Julius Lester and Monroe Ousley.

*TIBITHA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all deceased members on the first Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Joe Evans, Billy Brumfield, Johnny Cline and Tommy Ellis.

*DIX FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Morris Cemetery on the first Sunday. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of all the deceased on Muncy Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., Clifford Maynard, Freddy Maynard, Virgil Fields and Ted Robinson.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held at the home of Okie Robinette on the third Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: John Fouch, Chester Belcher, Edward Runyon, Ison Hannah, Charley Evans, Willie Siltner and Perry Layne.

*BENT BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Tommy Dials, Kermit Newsome, David Stone and David Baisden.

*ELK FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday on the Gilman Cemetery. Ministers called: Joe Evans, Raymond Smith, David Baisden and Willie Varney.

*DIX FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for Marvin Stanley, Emma Stanley and Bill Crigger on the third Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Ministers called: All of the Dix Fork Church Ministers.

*BIG BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Johnnie Nichols, Sr., and wife and all the deceased on the Lowe Cemetery at Gulhare, Kentucky on Sunday after the fourth Saturday. Ministers called: J.L. Nichols, Roosevelt Lowe, Clifford Maynard, Milford Lowe, and Sabert Nichols.

## JULY

*TURKEY CREEK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting in the head of Long Branch on the Reed Cemetery on the first Sunday. Ministers called: Willis Lowe, Louie Muncy, Bobby Scott, Wayne Herald and all Regular Baptist ministers are invited. Dinner will be served nearby.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* of Ballard Blackburn and baby of Cashier and Opal Blackburn will be held on the Blackburn Cemetery at Dix Fork on Sunday after the first Saturday. All Regular Baptist ministers are invited.

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of all the deceased in the Robinson Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Edwin May, Steve Robinson, Jr., Clifford Maynard, David Baisden, Virgil Fields and Alson Thornsberry.

*BETHANY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on Sunday after the second Saturday at the May Cemetery in the Flatwoods on Marrowbone Creek in West Virginia. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

*ELK FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting in memory of the Watts family at the home of J.R. Watts on Trace Creek on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Willie Varney, Tommy Adair, Sr., and Steve Robinson, Jr.

*BIG BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of the Maynard, Lowe, Taylor and Scott families on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Clifford Maynard, Virgil Fields, J.L. Nichols and Fay Scott.

*SARDIS CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for the Adair descendants on Sunday after the fourth Saturday. Ministers called: Tommy Adair, Sr., Willie Varney, David Baisden and Steven Robinson, Jr.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Johnny Stacy and Rachel Stacy on the fourth Sunday. Ministers called: Tom Dials, Sabert Nichols, Clinton Howard and Wayne Herald.

## AUGUST

*MEMORIAL MEETING* of Ted Blackburn will be held at the home of his son, Dewey Blackburn, on Winns Branch on August 1st. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Edwin May, Hiram Adkins and James Tackett.

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of George Lowe, Jane Lowe, Sam Staton and Joseph Staton on Pigeon Roost Fork of Wolf Creek on the first Sunday. Ministers called: Milford Lowe, Wayne Herald, Tom Dials and Ted Robinson.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held on the Smith Cemetery on Rockhouse on the first Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Ministers called: Grover Adkins, Bobby Scott, Clifford Maynard and Louie Muncy.

*SAMARIA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting at the Dillon Cemetery on Sunday after the first Saturday. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., Ison Hannah, Ed Runyon and Fay Scott.

*ENON CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Clifford Maynard, Freddy Maynard and Fay Scott.

*DIX FORK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased members of Dix Fork Church on the first Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Jethro Hampton, Millis Roberts, Plennie Rowe and Hiram Adkins.

*APPLE ORCHARD CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Woody Pack, Hershell Huff, Eales Cotton, George Woods and Andrew Maynard. Dinner will be served near the Church on Sunday.

*REBECCA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Elders Hi Maynard, W. C. Hay, M. J. Mounts and all the deceased of the Rebecca Church on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called in Union Meeting will be used.

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Lowe Cemetery on the second Sunday. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, Milford Lowe, Freddy Maynard, Clifford Maynard, Wayne Herald and Moderator attending.

*LITTLE ROSA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all deceased members of Little Rosa Church on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Kelly Castle, Hobert Hamilton, David Crigger, Fay Scott, Lloyd Sesco and Moderator attending.

*PILGRIM'S REST CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Don Little, Sabert Nichols, Steve Robinson, Jr., Hiram Adkins and Moderator attending. Dinner will be served.

*BUCK CREEK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Blackburn Cemetery at Marrowbone, West Virginia on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Sabert Nichols, Tom Dials and Milford Lowe.

*MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Elder J. W. Smith and all deceased members of the Mary Elizabeth Church on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Claude Brown, Wayne Herald, David Crigger and Moderator attending.

*SAMARIA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Hannah Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Edward Runyon and Steve Robinson, Jr.

*BIG BRANCH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of the McCoy family on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, Clifford Maynard, J. L. Nichols and Sabert Nichols.

*BUCK CREEK CHURCH* will give away to a memorial meeting on Sunday after the third Saturday to be held at the Dave Jude Cemetery on Peter Cave. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Sabert Nichols, Milford Lowe and Wallace Muncy.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of all the deceased members and all that are buried on Bascom Maynard Cemetery on Peter Cave on Sunday after the fourth Saturday. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Hershell Huff, Howard Coleman, Freddy Maynard and Woody Pack.

*BETHANY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on Sunday after the fourth Saturday, the same time of its Communion Meeting and the same Ministers will be used.

## SEPTEMBER

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting near the Leannah Church of Tom McCoy and others buried in the Buck Branch Cemetery and of Money McCoy and others buried in the McCoy Cemetery in the head of Meathouse Fork of Wolf Creek on the first Sunday. Ministers called: Milford Lowe, Clinton Howard, Louie Muncy, Edwin May, Steve Robinson, Jr., Fay Scott and Freddy Maynard.

*SAMARIA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Lackey Cemetery on Sunday after the first Saturday. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Edward Runyon, Hobert Hamilton and Joe Evans.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held on the A. C. and Wesley Young Cemetery in memory of Bessie Young and others on Sunday after the first Saturday. Ministers called: Willis Lowe, Frankie Scott, Wallace Muncy, Thomas J. Dials and Louie Muncy.

*BUCK CREEK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting at the Church for their deceased members buried in the Maynard Cemetery at Warfield, Kentucky on the third Sunday. Ministers called: Bobby Scott, Freddy Kidd, Freddy Maynard and Moderator attending.

*MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Elder Wallace Jackson, George Fraley, Donnie Lowe and others on the third Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Howard Coleman, George Woods and Moderator attending.

*MEMORIAL MEETING* will be held at Oscar McCoy's home in memory of Roscoe McCoy and others on Sunday after the third Saturday. Ministers called: Willie Lowe, Ernest Cochran and Virgil Fields.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of Johnny Jude and son and of the Howells on the fourth Sunday. Ministers called: Milford Lowe, Freddy Maynard, Wallace Muncy and Tom Dials.

## OCTOBER

*ELIZABETH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday for all deceased members of Elizabeth Church. Ministers called: Tom Dials, Milford Lowe, Freddy Kidd, Billy R. May and Moderator attending.

*SALEM CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday for all deceased members of Salem Church. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Louie Muncy, Zee Holbrook and David Baisden.

*TURKEY CREEK CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting the second Saturday and Sunday for all deceased members of Turkey Creek Church. Ministers called: Freddy Maynard, Charley Evans, James Gannon, Louie Muncy and Moderator attending.

*MT. PLEASANT CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased members of Mt. Pleasant Church on the second Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Hershell Huff, Grover Adkins, Luther Conn, James Tackett and Woody Pack.

*LITTLE TAVIE CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Ted Robinson, Wallace Muncey, Ray Hamilton, David Crigger and Wendell Hamilton.

*LEANNAH CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the Scott Cemetery in the head of Finley Fork on Sunday after the second Saturday. Ministers called: Steve Robinson, Jr., Clifford Williams, Sabert Nichols and Wallace Muncy.

*ROSA CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of all deceased members of the Rosa Church on the third Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: David Baisden, Isom Hannah, Louie Muncy, Edward Runyon and Luther Conn.

*SIDNEY CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting of John Jude, Bell Jude, Annie Jude and her son, J.T. Jude, on the fourth Sunday. Ministers called: Tom Dials, Wayne Herald and Virgil Fields.

*PILGRIM'S HOME CHURCH* will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday. Ministers called: Freddy Maynard, Hiram Adkins, Bobby Scott and Moderators attending.

## OBITUARIES

### ELDER S. B. FRALEY

With the help of an Almighty and wise God, I attempt to write the obituary of my dear Daddy, whom I loved, Elder S. B. Fraley. He was born May 14, 1905 and departed this life on February 25, 1981, being 75 years, 9 months and 11 days old at the time of death. He was the son of the late John Henry and Vicie Lowe Fraley.

He was united in marriage to Anne Mae Damron Fraley on August 27, 1938, who survives. They were married for 42½ years and to this union was born four children, John Oliver Fraley, Billy Joseph Fraley, Chester Lee Fraley and Zetta Marie Fraley, all of Lexington, North Carolina.

He also leaves to mourn his parting three grandchildren, Dawn Antoinette, Shawn Lee and Fawn Renee Fraley, all of Lexington, N.C. One granddaughter preceded him in death, Christie Lea Fraley. One brother, George Fraley, and one sister, Zella Harrison, also preceded him in death. Also surviving are one brother, William Thomas Fraley of Hatfield, Ky., and a twin sister, Verla Harrison of Hardy, Ky.

On October 13, 1930 he professed a hope in Christ and took up fellowship with the Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ. He was baptized by Elder L.G. Lowe and Elder J.H. Brown and placed his membership at the Mary Elizabeth Church. After a short period of time he felt the call to the ministry, heeded his calling and was ordained to go forth and preach the gospel in April, the third Saturday, 1942. Elder L.G. Lowe, Elder Basil Robinette and Elder Jonah Smith, with Elder L.G. Lowe as Moderator, made up the ordaining Presbytery.

He served several Churches as Moderator and Assistant Moderator and was Assistant Moderator of the Mary Elizabeth Church for a period of time. He also served the New Hope Church as Assistant Moderator and was the Moderator of the Mt. Ararat Church till death. He served the Mt. Ararat Church for almost seven years.

I would like to say to those that have not repented of their sins, if you wish to see Bro. Fraley again you must do as he has done. He has fought the battle, he has run the race and he will receive his reward. Our loss is his gain and his works do follow him. I hope to see him again and am looking forward to the time when I can sit with him at Mother Jerusalem's table and take communion with him and the Lord, whom he served faithfully until death.

Written by his son and Brother in hope.

Brother Chester L. Fraley

Assisted by Brother Tom Fraley

## GRACIE (ROBINETTE) FRANCIS

With the help of our God and Saviour, I will attempt to write the obituary of my dear Sister in the flesh and, I believe with all my heart, a sweet Sister in Christ. Gracie (Francis) Robinette was born November 27, 1917 and died August 23, 1981. She was married to William Caudle Francis on March 31, 1939. To this union was born eight children: two girls, Sylvia M. and Linda L.; and six boys: John B., William L., Ervin, Charles, Paul D. and Roger D., all still living to mourn her death along with twenty-three grandchildren, one sister, Maudie S., three brothers, Charley, Frank, and Estill, all still living, and a host of good friends and neighbors. Sister Gracie will be greatly missed by all.



She was a member of the Narrows Branch Church of the Old Regular Baptist for years. She loved to go to Church and would go everytime she could get a way. She will also be missed greatly at the Lonesome Dove Church where she came almost every Church time. We miss her so bad but we believe she is at rest now. And I have a beautiful hope that I will meet her again around the throne of God where there won't be any crippled hands and legs and bad hearts. She was so sweet and kind to everyone and always greeted everyone with a smile, and a hug and kiss and a friendly hand shake. She loved everybody. Oh, I loved her so much! My heart is broken and so heavy to have to give her up but there will be no more sickness and heartaches and I know she is far better off than I am. She has already crossed that river of death that I, too, must cross, and will when He calls. He said I will be with you in the 7th trouble and even at the end. So like the song goes, walk slowly down that lonely road for soon I'll follow you. But she won't be lonely anymore or won't feel like she is in somebody's way.

I'm going to miss her going to Church with me so bad and I'd like to say to her children and grandchildren, if you want to see Mama again you too must do as Mama did. Fall out with sin and be borned again and go home to meet Mom and Dad forever. So I'll say, sleep on, sleep on, Sister Gracie and with the help of God we will meet again on that great day.

Written by her sad and broken hearted Sister:  
Maudie R. Smith

## FAYETTE M. SMITH

Brother Fayette M. Smith, son of the late Ken and Carrie Morris Smith, was born in Pike County on May 21, 1901 and deceased this life at the National Health Extensive Care Center in Lexington, Kentucky on June 19, 1981, about 8:45 a.m., making his stay here 80 years and 29 days.

Brother Fayette was a salesman for many years until his retirement. He was well liked by all those who knew him, had a ready smile, and a good sense of humor.

He accepted Christ as his personal Saviour, and was baptized July 14, 1957, at the hands of Elders Emmett Case and Henry C. Maynard. He placed his membership with the Mt. Pleasant Church of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Christ, where he remained a faithful member until death took him from our midst. He enjoyed good preaching and the fellowship of the Church.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 21, 1981 at 2:00 p.m., at the Justice Funeral Home Chapel, with Elders Frankie Scott and Harold Edmonds officiating. His body lies sleeping in the Ken Smith Cemetery of Sidney, Kentucky, awaiting the resurrection and the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys Leslie Smith; a son, Dr. John K. Smith, of Morehead; a daughter, Justine S. Trivette of Lexington; a sister, Lydia Marie Smith of Pikeville; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, besides a great host of relatives and friends who are left to mourn his loss.

But we hope that our loss is his eternal gain. Brother Fayette could say with the psalmist David, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Our prayers for the family, relatives and friends are that God will richly bless and save us all. May we be with Him in Heaven when our lives are ended here. All will be peace, joy and happiness forever and ever.

Written, as requested, by one he loved,  
Elder Harold Edmonds

## DELPHIA RUNYON

It is with great sadness we will try to write the obituary of our dear, sweet and loving mother, Delphia Runyon.

She was born July 9, 1922 and died June 9, 1981 at St. Jude's Hospital, making her stay 58 years on God's green earth.

She was the daughter of the late Matt and Jerusha Mounts. She was married to Wilburn Runyon on April 17, 1937, who preceded her in death. She was a faithful member of the Old Rebecca Church for 45 years.

She is survived by four sons and four daughters, Hattie Sturgill of Rt. 1, Delbarton,



W. Va., Flora Goff and Lois Newsome of Lenore, W. Va.; Irene Mounts of Pie, W. Va.; Billy Ray Runyon, Curtis W. Runyon, Grover Runyon and James L. Runyon, all of Delbarton, W. Va.

She had 26 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She is survived by 2 sisters, Arisba Ooten of Myrtle, W. Va., and Katherine McGee of Williamson, W. Va.

She was firm believer in our Lord, Jesus Christ. She is looking forward to the resurrection where she can dwell in the house of the Lord Jesus forever.

Written by Family,  
Who Missed Her Deeply,  
THE FAMILY

### JAMES REUBEN MILLER

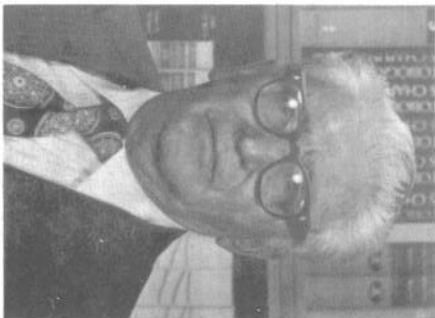
As we try by the help of the Lord to write the obituary of our loving father and husband, Reuben Miller. He was the son of the late George Miller and Mary Clark Miller.

He was born December 11, 1907 and departed this life December 18, 1980 at the age of 73 years and 8 days. He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church on June 11, 1950. He took his membership to the Pilgrim Home Church at Varney, Kentucky where he attended regularly until he had a stroke June 21, 1977.

He left to mourn his passing his wife, Ada Miller and eight children: Imogene Worrix, Eugene Miller, Joyce Justice, Zita Tooley, Rita Rhodes and Ella Jo McGuire, all of Miller's Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky; J.E. Miller of Rt. 1, Pikeville, Ky.; and Mary Lou Lyons of Zebulon, Kentucky; one brother, Wilburn Miller of San Diego, California; and two sisters, Wilda Colegrove of San Diego, California and Mary Jane Dale of Roseville, Michigan; 19 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren and many friends and neighbors.

Daddy bore his sickness with much patience and enjoyed life so much. I pray that each of us will remember the good life and example that Daddy lived and set before us and thank God for the happy home he worked so hard to give us. It was always filled with love and laughter. We miss him so much. We believe he has exchanged this life for Eternal life to be with Jesus. Our hope is to meet him again some sweet day when this life is over.

Written by his loving wife, Ada  
Daughters: Joyce Justice  
Imogene Worrix



This is the obituary of our deceased mother, Susie Howard Maynard. She was born on June 4, 1891 to Frankie Reed Howard and John Howard, both of whom preceded her in death. Mother entered into rest on April 3, 1981, making her stay on earth 89 years, 9 months, and 30 days.

She was preceded in death by a sister and brother, Judy Fields and Willie Howard. She had one surviving brother, Rush Reed of Williamson, W. Va. She was married to Elvert Maynard in the year 1910, who also precedes her in death, and to this union was born seven children. The oldest, William Hansel Maynard, died in childhood. Surviving are, James Haskel Maynard of Citra, Fla.; Herma Jane Blackburn of Cottondale, Fla.; Howard Wilson Maynard of Asheville, N.C.; Hertha Mazel Ziegler of Quincey, Fla.; John Hennon Maynard of Anthony, Fla.; and Hanley Burns Maynard of Ocala, Fla. Mother leaves behind 19 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. She is also survived by 4 nieces and 4 nephews.

Mother joined the Old Regular Baptist in 1923. Her membership was held by the Apple Orchard Church of McCombs, Ky. and she attended Church faithfully when she was able. Mom was faithful to her husband and a wonderful mother to her children. She is sadly missed by all her family.

As concerning the Hope we hold for our mother, we believe it will be our mother in the resurrection, we believe it will be mother in eternal heaven, we believe in a visible kingdom. Luke 24:38-39: "And he said unto them, why are ye troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have." The prophet Job said he would see God in his flesh.

Written with love and Hope by her sons,  
Haskel and Hanley Maynard

### HENRY HARRISON THOMPSON

It is with much sadness, and I trust God's help, that I attempt to write an obituary of a dear Brother in Christ, Brother Henry Harrison Thompson. Brother Henry Harrison Thompson was the son of the late George Thompson and Mary (Young) Thompson. He was born January 28, 1907 at Varney, Kentucky and departed this life on June 10, 1981, making his stay here on earth, God's Footstool, 74 years, 4 months and 12 days.

Brother Henry Harrison Thompson was united in marriage to Sister Inez (Robinette) on May 1, 1926 and to this union was born eight children. Two of the children died in infancy. One son, Charles Edward Thompson, was killed accidentally in his youth. Surviving children are: Mr. James Freddie Thompson of Garland, Texas, Mr. Eugene Thompson of Oxford, Michigan, Mr.



### SUSIE HOWARD MAYNARD



Edgar Thompson of Ferndale, Michigan, Mrs. Joyce Blackburn of Pontiac, Michigan and Mrs. Virginia Canada of Varney, Ky.

Besides his children, he is survived by 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Harold Thompson and Clyde Thompson, both of Varney, Ky.; five sisters, Mrs. Oma Bevins of Turkey Creek, Ky., Mrs. Tempa Walters of Hatfield, Ky., Mrs. Sally Lowe of Varney, Ky., Mrs. Virgie Robinette of Pontiac, Michigan and Mrs. Gracie Robinette of Hazel Park, Michigan; a great number of nieces and nephews; the entire membership of the Pilgrims Home Church; and a host of friends to mourn his passing.



Brother Henry confessed a hope in Christ, was baptized and placed his membership with the Pilgrim's Home Church where he remained a faithful and devoted member until his death.

Brother Henry was a lovable and kind person. He always spoke to you or addressed you in a low, kind voice. He suffered very much during his life with the asthma. Recently he has been burdened with pain from cancer.

Brother Henry's soul has returned to God, who gave it. His body will return to the dust and in the morning of the Resurrection he will raise on the Right Hand of God to give God the praise in Eternity.

Children, if you haven't made peace with God, do so while you have life and opportunity. To see your Father again you must meet Christ in a pardon and remission of your sins.

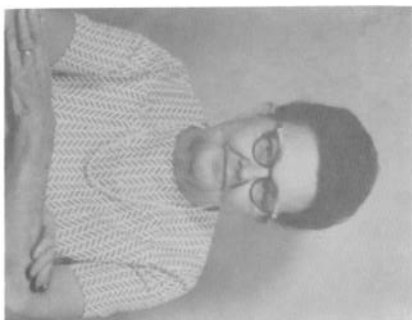
Written as requested,  
by a Brother in Christ,  
James M. Ray

### DORIS M. RUNYON

With the memory of a mother still so fresh and tender in our hearts and minds, we, the daughters of a sister in Christ, Doris (Mullins) Runyon, will prepare her obituary. She was born in Pike County, Ky. in a little country home to the late Preston and Alice (Morris) Mullins on December 9, 1909. In the years to follow she met and married the late Roy Elmer Runyon and to this union we were born, the two daughters, Mrs. Ralph (Yvonne) Bogar and Mrs. Bobby Joe (Nita Jean) Robinette.

She made a profession of faith in Christ on June 27, 1948 and was baptized on July 3, 1948 by Elder Henry C. Maynard and Elder James G. Thornsbury. She then took fellowship with the Dix Fork Regular Baptist Church where she remained a faithful and loving member for 33 years.

On August 8, 1981 our Lord and Saviour saw it pleasing to His will to reach down His loving hand to the bed in St. Joseph's Hospital in Lexington, Ky. and relieve her from her misery of a massive stroke. She has left behind to follow her, besides us, 3 grandchildren, Mrs. Billy (Debbie) Sparks, Dwight Bogar and Laura Beth Robinette, and one great-grandchild, Gina Lavon Sparks. Also left in this world are 3 sisters, Mrs. Mae Smith, Mrs. Edith Somers, and Mrs. Vada Griffee and 4 brothers, J.T. Mullins, Med Mullins, Walter Mullins and Fayette Mullins. She was preceded in death by 3 sisters and 3 brothers.



We feel you can find a good description of our Mother in Proverbs 31, Verses 10-31. Then, even though we are without a Mother on this earth, what more can we ask of our Saviour than to know we are never alone, that His mercy and love are unfailing and He makes all of our heartaches His own? Death for our dear Mother was just an open door to the Kingdom of God and life evermore.

Written by her Daughters

### MILTON THOMPSON

Milton Thompson was born June 14, 1884 the son of the late Enos and Josie Wilson Thompson of Wayne County, West Virginia. He died on February 18, 1981, making his stay on earth 96 years, seven months, and four days.

Milton came to Gilbert, West Virginia in 1935. He began working for our father as a timberman and from that time on he made his home with us. He became our dearest and most faithful friend and we loved him as if he were our own flesh and blood. We like to think that his coming into our home was a blessing not only to us but also to him as he had lost contact with his own family. We hope that we helped to fill this void in his life.

Milton joined the Rosa Regular Baptist Church on August 15, 1959 and attended Church faithfully as long as his health would permit. He lingered for many months before he died but his mind was as sharp and clear as a young man's. He talked constantly of the Lord, quoting scriptures to us and telling us how people had to love each other. We often saw him praying as he lay in bed.



He is sadly missed from our home, especially by our father and by our mother who, with the help of family and friends, cared for him until he died. But we feel that Milton is in Heaven and there can be no greater comfort than that.

Written by his "adopted" grandchildren  
(the children of Uley and Hallie Perry)

## PERRY RAY

In loving memory I will try to write the obituary of my grandfather, Perry Ray. He was born April 18, 1887 and departed this life November 14, 1980, making his stay here on earth 93 years, 5 months, and 4 days.

Papa was the son of Tom and Nancy Ray. He was married to Sinda SESCO Ray on August 20, 1908 and she preceded him in death. To this union were born 12 children. Three preceded him in death.

Papa joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in March 1955 and was baptized by Elder Emmitt Case and Elder Jonah Williamson. Papa was a faithful member of the Pilgrim Home Church until the Lord took him away. A lot of times Papa would walk down the hollow to Church when he was not able but the Lord was with him and made him able to bear his pain.

Left to mourn his passing are nine children, namely: Willie, Alice, Wayne, Dessie, and Stells, all of Varney, Ky.; John of Pikeville, Ky.; Gredis of South Williamson, Ky.; and Fannie of Oakwood, Virginia. He also leaves 46 grandchildren, 80 great-grandchildren, the entire community and the Pilgrim Home Church to mourn his passing.

I truly believe Papa's suffering is over. He lay sick for over two years and was blind for nearly five years. He was so humble it broke my heart to see him suffer. Papa would lay and pray to the Lord as long as he could speak and clasp his hands together and praise God. I believe I will see Papa again on that glorious day when we see our Saviour.

I still go back to the old home place, it's lonesome there with no mommy and daddy. To the one's that haven't made peace with the Lord, don't put it off for tomorrow may be too late. We love you all. May God bless you.

Written by his daughter and granddaughter,  
Stella Chaffins, Beatrice Caines



## MYRTIE PINSON

I am proud to write an obituary of my grandmother, Myrtie Pinson. She was born at Varney, Ky. on August 8, 1893, the daughter of Harkins and Alta Elswick Blackburn. On February 27, 1981 she departed this life to go on to a better one.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Sam Pinson, an infant son, Charles Edward and two others sons, Clyde and Albert. She is survived by two sons, Ernest and Luther, both of Sidney, Ky., one daughter, Mrs. Alice Harper of Riverside, California and a sister, Mrs. Trinnie Pinson of Sidney. She had a total of 10 children and 20 great-grandchildren.



She became a member of the Pilgrim Home Regular Baptist Church on March 6, 1932. Her death leaves us with much sadness but many happy memories.

Written by her granddaughter,  
Janice C. Johnson

## LEONARD ROBINETTE

It is with much sadness and love in our hearts that we try to write the obituary of our loving father, Leonard Robinette.

He was born May 5, 1912 at Varney, Ky. the son of Jeff and Mary (Stanley) Robinette and departed this life on October 2, 1980, making his stay here on earth 68 years, 4 months and 27 days.

He was united in marriage to Bronis (Young) Robinette on November 20, 1937. To this union was born 6 children, five sons and one daughter: Sidney of Meta, Ky., Paul and James of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Charles of Varney, Ky. and Barbara Branham of Zebulon, Ky. One son, Howard Lynn, preceded him in death. He leaves seven grandchildren to mourn his loss. Daddy loved each one of them so much.

He leaves his mother, Mary Robinette, of the Mountain Manor Nursing Home; four brothers and two sisters: Tony of Johns Creek, George of



Pikeville, John of Meta, Earl of Varney, Ruby Walters of Varney and Marie Stratton of Lexington. His father, Jeff, and four brothers, Homer, Virgil, Ferrell and Willard, preceded him in death. He also leaves besides his Brothers and Sisters in Christ, many friends and nieces and nephews.

Dad professed a hope in Christ and was baptized on September 17, 1950 and placed his membership with the Pilgrims Home Church where he was a faithful member until death.

Daddy was always ready to help anyone who needed him. There are so many good things I could say about Daddy that paper would not hold it all. He was always ready to help us children. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by his Children

### WILLIAM H. HALL

On October 19, 1980 William Hall passed from this life at the age of 73, leaving a memory and a deep sadness to all that knew and loved him. Especially missed by his wife and children.

William was born March 12, 1907 at Myrtle, he was the son of the late Lewis and Sarah Runyon Hall.

On September 16, 1929 he was married to Leolia Runyon and to the 52 years of marriage was born 15 children, with three preceding him in death, leaving six sons: Ance, Kenneth, William and Teddy Ray Hall of Rt. 1, Delbarton, and Ison and Don Hall of Oakwood, Ohio; and six daughters: Christine Copley of Lenore, W. Va., Letty Dempsey, Elenora Gilman, Polly Mahon, Geneva Strunk, and Betty Mae Robinette of Rt. 1, Delbarton, W. Va.

He also leaves three sisters: Carolyn Douglas of Williamson, W. Va., Mary Ellen of Delbarton, W. Va. and Leorie Clayton of Barrabus, W. Va.; and one brother, Albert Lee Hall of Lovely, Ky. Also, he left 34 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren to mourn the loss of our loved one.

William was a retired disabled coal miner and was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church since 1932.

So, if we want to be with him on that great homecoming day we, ourselves, must work and prepare to meet Thy God. It, is a sad and lonesome home without him.

His wife  
Leotia Hall



### EMZY B. PINSON

It is with much sadness in our hearts that we will try to write the obituary of our beloved husband, father and grandfather, Emzy B. Pinson. He was born on May 17, 1894 the son of Allen and Rebecca Miller Pinson. He came to the end of life's journey at his home on February 11, 1981 at 2:30 p.m. This made his stay on earth 86 years, 8 months and 25 days.

He worked as a logger and a farmer for many years. He was united in marriage to Margie Robinette on September 1, 1922. He leaves his life's companion of 58 years and the following children to mourn his loss: two daughters, Mrs. Oma Charles of Raccoon, Ky. and Mrs. Necie Tibbs of Rt. 1, Pikeville, Ky., and one son, Glenn Pinson of Rt. 1, Pikeville, Ky. He also leaves 1 sister, Jane Scott of Rt. 1, Pikeville, 3 brothers, Carl Pinson and Marvin Pinson of Rt. 1, Pikeville, Ky. and Manuel Pinson of Raccoon; twelve grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren and many friends. A daughter, Mae Pinson, 6 months old, five sisters and two brothers preceded him in death.

Emzy B. joined the Pilgrim Home Regular Baptist Church of Brushy on the sacrament meeting in August of 1954. His final resting place will be in the family cemetery at Milkes Branch.

Written by his wife,  
Margie and family

### ELDER JERRY CLINE

With the help of our Lord we will write an obituary of our Brother in Christ, Elder Jerry Cline. Brother Jerry was born on September 16, 1929 and went to sleep in Jesus on March 16, 1981, making his pilgrimage here on earth 51 years and 6 months. Brother Jerry was the son of the late Lee and Virgie Cline.

Brother Jerry was married to Barbara Bennett on August 21, 1954 and to this union was born two daughters, Judy Hashby and Ernsine Cline of Jackson, Michigan. Besides his wife and daughters, Brother Jerry leaves two brothers, Walker Cline of Inez, Kentucky and Arthur Cline of Lovely, Kentucky; five sisters, Liddie Fletcher and Mary Ellen



Jude of Pilgrim, Kentucky, Hazel Muncy and Vinie Music of Lovely, Kentucky and Myrtle Moore of Columbus, Ohio; two grandchildren; and a host of friends, relatives, and Brothers and Sisters in Christ to mourn his loss.

Brother Jerry walked with Christ on this earth about 15 years, the last 4 being with the Little Vineyard Church. He was baptized by Elder Raymond Mullins on March 19, 1978 and lived a faithful life in Christ and preached His everlasting gospel until he took sick and went to the hospital. When Brother Raymond and I would visit Brother Jerry, his conversation was always about Christ. We would like to say to his daughters and brothers and sisters, that if you want to see Brother Jerry again you will have to make peace with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, for we believe, according to Brother Jerry's testimony and walk in this life, he is at rest with the Saints of God that have completed their journey.

Written by his Brothers in Christ,  
Elders Raymond Mullins  
Elder Arvid Blevins

### ETTA MAY (BROWN) MAYNARD

With the help of God, we will write the obituary of our dear, sweet grandmother. Granny was born February 5, 1914 at Canada, Ky. and left us to go and be with God on February 11, 1981. She was the youngest of ten children born to Victoria (Doll) and John Brown.

Members of our grieving family that Granny left behind include her husband, Prosper Maynard of Sidney, Ky.; four children, Mrs. Harold (Faye) Cochran of Mt. Pleasant, W. Va.; Charles Maynard of Pontiac, Michigan, Mrs. Maurice (Dollie) May of Huntington, W. Va., and John Maynard of Sidney, Ky.; and her oldest brother, William (Bill) Smith Brown, age 90, of Williamson, W. Va. Also suffering from this tremendous loss are 8 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

For 29 of her 67 years, she belonged to the Old Regular Baptist Church of Dix Fork. Granny was baptized in front of the Dix Fork Church in 1952 by Elders Earnest Cochran and Jim Thornsberry. Most of her life, she was sick and was not able to attend Church as often as she wanted to but her faith was never tarnished. God lived with Granny in her house until He called her to her Heavenly Home. She died in the Cabell Huntington Hospital after suffering from a cerebral hemorrhage.

There aren't any words great enough to express the love we have for Granny. We always looked forward to going back to Granny's, the place we all



knew as "HOME". She lived her life as an example for us to follow. Above all else, the love and honesty that she possessed stood out like a shining example of her life. We know that her love is still there, although she can't tell us anymore. Precious memories of love and laughter that we shared with her will never die.

Granny, you've left us with broken hearts, tear-filled eyes and a great emptiness that will never leave our lives. You've also left a strong impression on us. Our goal is to follow in your footsteps. We hope that someday we will be able to be with you and God in your Heavenly Home and there once again may the family circle NEVER be broken.

We love and miss you so.

Written with all our love,  
by Granddaughters  
Janey (Maynard) Cochran  
Rennetta May  
Melinda Maynard

### DONNIE HARRISON

With much sadness I will write the obituary of my beloved husband, Donnie Harrison. Born in Pike County in the year of March 4, 1913 making his stay here on earth 67 years 8 months and 8 days.

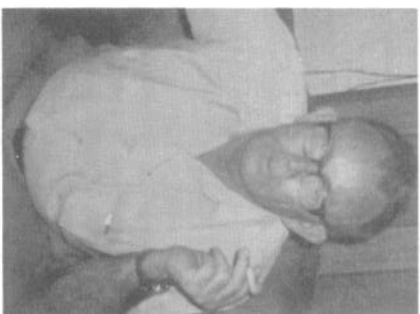
Donnie was married to Lois Blackburn and to this union was born 8 children, two daughters and one son deceased in infancy. Surviving children are, Michael Harrison of New York; Donnie Harrison, Jr. of Columbus, Ohio; Lois Jean Crumrine of Pennsylvania; and Deborah Sue Harrison and Chester Dean Harrison at home. Also, one granddaughter and three step-grandchildren survive.

Donnie joined the Old Regular Baptist Church and was baptized September 17, 1972 and placed his membership with the Mary Elizabeth Church at Hatfield, Ky. He loved all the Brothers and Sisters and enjoyed going to church.

As the family, we feel that our loss is heaven's gain and hope to meet him in that beautiful home in heaven when Jesus calls.

So, I want to say in closing to all who knew and loved him so dearly, we will carry the peace, love and righteousness in our hearts to the end that he departed with and have hope to meet him in heaven when Jesus calls.

Lois and Children



## JOSEPH DONAVAN THORNBURY

With an aching heart and guidance from God, I will attempt to write the obituary of my only son. We were blessed with Donavan's birth on June 1, 1970 and on April 3, 1981 God called him home, giving us the joy and pleasure of having him with us for 10 years, 10 months and 2 days.

Donavan left his parents, Joseph Michael and Linda Diane; his sister, Christina Lynn; his grandmother, Sister Mary Thornbury; as well as host of family and friends to mourn their loss of him.

Donavan was preceded in death by two of his great-grandparents, Sister Victoria Smith and Elder Jim Thornbury.

While our loss is great and the acceptance of it is difficult, we find comfort in knowing that Donavan is in God's care now and that we all have the opportunity to see Donavan again someday.

Written by his dad,  
Mike Thornbury



## ARTIE LESTER

It is with a sad and broken heart that we will try to write the obituary of our dearly beloved mother, Mrs. Artie Lester.

Mom was born at Baisden, W. Va. on July 4th, 1910. She was a daughter of the late Henry and Susie Perry Glandon. Mom died on July 29th, 1981, making her 71 years and 25 days old.

Mom was married to the late Norris Lester on July 2nd, 1934 and to this union were born four children. She was preceded in death by two sons, two brothers and two sisters. She left behind to mourn her loss two daughters, two brothers and five sisters.

Mom was a member of the Rosa Regular Baptist Church which she joined on June 8th, 1952. She attended Church regularly until she became ill. I do not know why Mom had to suffer so much here but I do know her suffering is now over and I believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

Mom is sadly missed by her family and friends but most of all by us.  
Written by her Daughters,  
Geraldine Collins & Garnett New



## JOE ALEX HATFIELD

The Lord sure blessed me with a wonderful Dad, Joe Alex Hatfield. Today I realize even more just how precious he was.

Dad was born January 13, 1914, at Hampden, West Virginia to the late Sherman and Eunice Wyatt Hatfield, making his stay here on earth sixty-six years. He was a retired coal miner and a member of the United Mine Workers of America.

On September 29, 1934 Dad married Mom, Gladys Brewster, and to this union five children were added: Geraldine Smith of Kopperton, W. Va.; Eunice Stanley of Gilbert, W. Va.; Joe Alex, Jr. of Oceana, W. Va.; Melinda Sue of the home; and a son, Kenny, was killed in a motorcycle accident on June 24, 1965. He had five grandchildren: Ricky Smith, Dawn Marie Hatfield, Maria Stanley, Brad Hatfield and Todd Hatfield.

Dad was preceded in death by two brothers, Layton and Tracy Hatfield, and one sister, Tilda Justice. Since Dad's death he has lost another brother, Burl Hatfield and one sister, Margaret Hatfield. He is survived by two brothers, Moss and Walker of Hampden, and two sisters, Ferbie Grinnmet of Hampden and Hattie Hatfield of Columbus, Ohio.

I suppose the most wonderful day in his life was November 15, 1952 when he joined the Rosa Regular Baptist Church. He had been a member of this Church for twenty-eight years. He chose to sit on the back seat in the corner for years. He would get so happy it looked like he was going to fly away. His life was somewhat like a rose which was in bloom for such a short time. He continued to smile while his pain grew greater, somehow I am sure all this had a purpose.

Dad led a good, humble and faithful life and I feel deep in my heart he is living again. This new life has no pain or suffering and is **COMPLETE HAPPINESS!**

October 24, 1980 Dad died! This date will always linger in our hearts. We sure miss him but feel it is worth all our grief for him to live again! Our hope is that each of you will remember him as he was, **A GOOD MAN** with a smile. We wish to express a farewell to each of you from him.

His daughter, Geraldine Smith  
and  
His niece, Patty Taylor



## RACHEL STATION MAYNARD

With much sadness, I write the obituary of my beloved mother, Rachel Station Maynard.

She was born May 9, 1890 at Hatfield, Kentucky and died January 14, 1981 at Ashland, Kentucky. Her stay here on earth was 90 years, 8 months and 5 days.

She was married to Alvis Maynard, now deceased, and to this union was born three daughters and three sons. One son, Lester, and one daughter, Francis, preceded her in death. Left to mourn her death are: two sons, Burley Maynard of Cakettsburg, Ky. and Orville Maynard of London, Ohio; two daughters, Edith Fay Norn of Columbus, Ohio and Patty Jones of Oak Hill, W. Va.; 21 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church. She was baptized by Elder Jeff May and Elder Ellis Davis and placed her membership at the Samaria Church.

That January night when Mother took sick she said that she was going to die. I asked her if she was afraid and she said that she was not afraid and was ready to go.

We miss her so very much but we believe our loss is Heaven's gain.

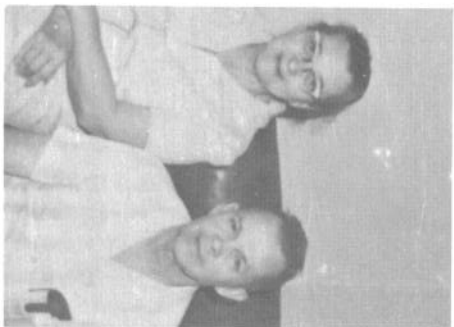
Written by a son who believes that we will meet her again.  
Burley Maynard



## OLVA RATLIFF

With the help of my dear Mother and our Lord Jesus, I will try and write the obituary of my dear Daddy, Olva Ratliff. Daddy was born at Henry Clay, Kentucky on July 28, 1903. He was the son of the late Jimmy and Eliza Ratliff. He was 77 years old when he left his earthly life here and went to join his beloved parents in Paradise where there will be no more suffering and tears.

Daddy married our sweet mother, Alma (Mullins) Ratliff, on August 13th, 1924 and to this union was born 6 sons and 3 daughters who are left behind and miss him very much. They are, Kenneth of West Covina, California; Leroy of Hamilton, Ohio; Don of Tavares, Fla.; Larry with the U.S.



Army in Korea; Eddie of Tavares, Fla.; Ron of St. Cloud, Fla.; Altheda Mullins, of Sarasota, Fla.; Floretta Blair of Tavares, Fla.; and Brenda Reynolds of Tavares, Fla. Daddy is also survived by 3 brothers, Earl of Wolfpit, Ky.; Kermit of Lookout, Ky.; and Foster of Ft. Pierce, Fla.; 1 dear sister, Hazel McKinney of Ft. Myers, Fla.; and 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Daddy was baptized in December, 1948 at the Pine Grove Old Regular Baptist Church in Lookout, Ky. where he made a confession of Faith in our Saviour. He was baptized by Elders Ulan Childers and Willie Kendrick. He was ordained a Deacon in the Pine Grove Church in 1949. In 1960 Dad moved us to Florida due to his health becoming bad from working in the coal mines. He and Mommy brought their Letter to the Southern Home Church of Old Regular Baptist in Ocala, Fla. where he remained a member until his death.

I know Daddy is truly at peace now and is suffering no more. He told several of us that he was ready to "meet the Master" whenever He chose the time. GOD was merciful we believe for HE knew Daddy was very ill and needed a rest from all the long years of raising us children and working in the coal mines. We miss him so much but I pray all of the children and every member of our family will be able to see Daddy again, which is possible through accepting the LORD JESUS CHRIST as their Saviour and becoming "Children" of the Kingdom.

Written by his daughter, Brenda  
And his wife, Alma

## JOHNNIE STACY

It has been requested by the family of Brother Johnnie that I write an obituary of this wonderful Brother. Brother Johnnie was 90 years old. He was born in 1891 and departed this life July 5, 1981.

Brother Johnnie was married to Rachel Jude Stacy in 1912. Two daughters were born to this union, Cora Stacy and Mary Moore, both of Pilgrim, Ky. Other survivors included 8 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren. He also had 2 step-children, Oral Howell and Ralph Reed. He had 17 step-grandchildren and 26 step-great-grandchildren.

Brother Johnnie gave his hand at the Sidney Church the 4th Sunday in April in 1979 telling the Brethren that the Lord had



forgiven him and he wanted to be baptized. He was baptized by Elder Sabert Nichols and Elder Milford Lowe and placed his membership with the Sidney Church. Brother Johnnie was blessed to attend Church up until he died.

I visited him at his home about three hours before he died and it seemed that he was happy. He said, "It had been a wonderful day of his life." Also, as he talked, he told me of the dream or vision he had of Heaven, that Beautiful Home.

I feel that his soul is at rest in the Paradise of God and the body in the tomb awaiting that great day when the Creature, "body", itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. That is where hope is in the resurrection, if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you. He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His spirit that dwelleth in you.

Jesus is coming soon. There shall be signs in the sun and in the moon and in the stars; and upon the earth, distress of nations with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring. Men's hearts failing them for fear and for looking after the things which are coming upon the earth. For the Power of Heaven shall be shaken and then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass then look up, and lift up your heads for your redemption draweth nigh.

I want to say to Brother Johnnie's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, please remember the good council of your father. Be good to one another, love one another and think upon your soul.

Jesus is coming Soon.

Elder Sabert Nichols

## HERVY L. COCHRANE

Brother Hervy L. Cochrane was born August 8, 1899 in Pike County, Kentucky. He deceased this life August 23, 1981, making his stay here on earth 82 years and 15 days.

Brother Hervy was the son of the late Nathan Cochrane and Nancy Jane (May) Cochrane. He was married to Sister Ellen (Smith) Cochrane. To this union was born 4 children. One daughter, Vada, who lives only five days, preceded him in death. Three sons are Reford Cochrane of Williamson, W. Va., Robert Cochrane of Proctorville, Ohio, and Roy Cochrane of Huntington, W. Va. Other survivors are 4 grandchildren, 1 great-



grandchild, and two sister, Sara Owens and Susan Williamson. He was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Brother Hervy was a member and an ordained Deacon of the Salem Church. He was baptized September 2, 1945. Brother Hervy was a faithful member and attended Church regular as long as his health permitted.

He will be sadly missed by his family, the remaining members of the Salem Church and his many friends.

We feel that our loss has been Heaven's gain. We all live with the hope that we will meet Brother Henry on Heaven's bright shore.

Written by request of the family

A Brother in Faith and a good friend,

Admiral D. Blackburn

## RANSOM CHAFIN

By the help of our loving Saviour, Jesus Christ, with much sadness, grief and sorrow, I will, through many tears, try to write an obituary of my beloved grandfather, Ransom Chafin, who passed away on April 14, 1981, making his stay here on earth 105 years. He was born July 12, 1876 at Elk Fork Creek of Logan County, he was the son of the late Henry and Elizabeth (Mayborn) Chafin.

In April 1922 he was united in marriage to Sister Sarah (Canterbury), who preceded him in death. To this union was born fifteen children. He is survived by six sons, Jess Chafin, Chester Chafin, Donald Ray Chafin, Ransom Larry Chafin, all of Lenore; Marvin Dale Chafin of Delbarton; and Fisher Chafin of Logan; and nine daughters, Mary Hignite, Lefora Hughes, Hester Canterbury, Shirley Evans and Elizabeth Webster, all of Lenore; Marie France and Ruth Browning, both of Delbarton; Cinda Miller of Fort Seal, Okla.; and Thelma Browning of Chicago. Other survivors include one sister, Rebecca Duncan of Kermit; 48 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

I feel grandpa has left many friends. Brothers and Sisters in Christ to mourn his death, for he loved the Church and friends. Grandpa came into the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ on June 22, 1945, by experience of baptism. He was baptized by Elder Willie White and remained as a member until the day it pleased God to call him home. Grandpad loved the Church and



he showed it by filling his seat at the Church until he became too ill to attend, but he always sent word to his Brothers and Sisters to pray for him and he was always happy to see them. There will be a seat vacant at the Bethany Church that cannot be filled.

I have this to say to the grieved children and grandchildren of Grandpa, if you ever want to be with Daddy and Grandpa again, you surely can. The Scriptures conclude: By the mercies of God; that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, Holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (Romans: 12-1) For little children, the scriptures hath concluded all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. (Romans: 3-23.)

Oh, little children the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men. (Titus: 2-11.) Yes, children, you can go where I feel grandpa is, for there is room for all. For it is written: Let not your hearts be troubled: Ye believe in God, believe also in Me. In my Father's house are many mansions, if it were not so I would have told you. (St. John: 14:1-2.)

So, little children, there is room for us to be with our loved one but only you can make the choice to be with him. I, in writing this obituary, have no way to express my feelings for the loss of our loving Grandpa, Daddy and Brother. Although I feel our loss is Heaven's gain and I feel that one day we will part no more, where all will be joy, peace, and happiness forever.

Sadly missed by family, friends, Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Written by his granddaughter,  
Ada Chaffin

### AMEY BELLE HUNDLEY

It is with much sadness and love that I will try, with the help of our Lord, to write the obituary of Amey Belle Hundley. She was born April 1, 1902 and departed this life on June 9, 1981 at the age of 79. She was the daughter of Madison and Jurusha Mounts, who preceded her in death.

She was married to the late Hubert Alvin Hundley and unto this union was born eight surviving sons, John Homer Hundley, Delbert Hundley, Oscar Ray Hundley, James Hubert Hundley, Herbert Hundley, Lloyd Hundley, and Hobert Hundley; and three surviving daughters, Nancy Lee Robinson, Arisby Sharp, and Carrie Mae Workman. In addition to these she will be sadly missed by her 49 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren.



She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in the year 1927 and lived a faithful life until death took her away. During her life she loved everyone she knew and they in return loved her. Only two sisters, Arisba Ooten and Catherine McGee, remain and mourn their loss.

I feel that sister Amey is in Heaven today and if her children hope to see their mother again they should repent of their sins and be born again.

Written by her sister, who loved her,  
Catherine M. McGee

### GUSTAVIA JUDE JONES

(1894-1981)

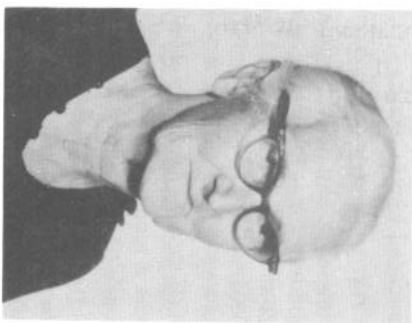
It is with much sadness and a very broken heart that I try to write the obituary of my dear, sweet mother, Gustavia Jude Jones (Ma Jones, or Granny, as she was called by everyone). But with the help of our Lord I'll do my best.

Mom departed this life to be with Christ on January 8, 1981 after a lingering illness. She made her home on God's green Earth for 87 years. She was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church at Leannah on Wolf Creek for 59 years. She loved the Lord and served Him and left her good works behind for everyone who came in contact with her to follow. Mom's desire was to live to see all her children get right with God, then came grandchildren and others, which was almost impossible for her to live that long. I'm sure that Mom has prayed for all those that are living and for all those yet to be born.

Mom was married to my wonderful Dad, Freelin Jones, who preceded her in death almost seventeen years ago. To this union they were blessed to have nine children. Two daughters preceded her in death, Rebecca Jude and Gertie Lowe. She is survived by seven daughters, Elsie Lowe of Meta, Ky.; Victoria Cline of Inez, Ky.; Sadie Preece of Omar, W. Va.; Bessie McCarty of Warfield, Ky.; and Mae Marcum, Bertha Muncy and Jean Marcum, all of Hatfield, Ky. Granny, as all the grandchildren called her, had 53 grandchildren, 109 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Yes, Mom is gone from all her children, grandchildren, and loved ones in this world and, if we ever expect to see Mom again, we will have to put Satan behind us and pick up our cross and follow our Lord, just as she did. Mom, we miss you very much but you have more now than you have ever had before. I know we were good to you and tried to give you everything but we couldn't give you what Jesus has given you. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sadly written by a very loving and a very thankful daughter  
Mae Marcum





## MARION ALDRIDGE

With much sadness and love, and with the help of the Lord, we will try to write the obituary of our dear departed dad and husband. Dad was born on June 20, 1921 at Ethel, W. Va., the son of the late James and Arisba White Aldridge. He departed this life on March 30, 1981, after having several strokes, making his stay on earth 59 years, 9 months, and 10 days. A son, Marion Aldridge, Jr.; a granddaughter, Jennifer Davis; two brothers, Albert and Johnny Aldridge; and a sister Rachael Aldridge, preceded him in death.



On April 4th, 1947 he married Flossie Newsome and to this union was born six children: Imogene Hall, Carol Jean Broecker, Roxie Davis, Bernard Aldridge, Marlene Aldridge and the late Marion Aldridge, Jr. He is also survived by six grandsons, one granddaughter and two sisters, Roxie Feese and Nora Thompson of Huntington, W. Va.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist Church on Sunday, October 27, 1973. He was a member of the Bethany Church at the time of his death. Dad was a disabled coal miner, having worked about 21 years in the coal mines.

Dad's chair is empty now, he won't come back to us but we can go to him if we all do as he did, take Jesus in our hearts and give HIM full control of our life and HE will lead us to a home in Heaven. He is at rest now, no more trouble and pain. He knew he had a better home awaiting on the other side and he was ready. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

With all our love,

Written by Wife and Children

## OSCAR T. PAULEY

Brother Oscar Pauley was born March 9, 1899, the son of the late John and Pricy (Collins) Pauley, at Canada, Kentucky and departed this life on April 7, 1981, making his stay here on earth 82 years and 29 days. He was married to Lola (Bevins) Pauley, who preceded him in death. To this union was born two sons, Glen (who also preceded him in death) and John Henry Pauley, Massillon, Ohio. Other survivors are five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who are left to mourn his loss. He was married on April 3, 1971 to the late Hazel Blackburn.

Brother Oscar was a member of the Salem Regular Baptist Church where he was a faithful member, always filling his seat in the Church and visited the sister Churches when his health permitted him to do so. The Bible tells us a

tree is known by its fruits, so is every child of God known by the life they live here on earth. I know when God ransoms Uncle Oscar's body from the grave, He will give him a body liking to His own glorious body. A crown will be placed upon his head and he will be happily housed around the throne of God with all the happyfied Saints that have gone on before.

And to those left, Daddy is gone to return no more and if you ever behold his face again, you must get ready in this life. Jesus tells us, "Knock and it shall be opened", "Seek and you shall find", "Ask and it shall be given". Now is the time to invite Jesus to come into your heart, forgive you of your sins which assures you of a home in Heaven with Jesus and all of His children who have been washed by His atoning blood at Calvary.

Written by request of the family,

His Brother in Christ,

Calvin C. Bevins

## HAZEL (BLACKBURN) PAULEY

Sister Hazel (Blackburn) Pauley was born June 30, 1909 in Pike County, Kentucky and deceased this life on July 21, 1981, making her stay here on earth seventy-two years and twenty-one days, the daughter of the late Ransom and Dixie Scott Hatfield.

She was married to Okey Blackburn, who preceded her in death, on August 16, 1930 and to this union was born five children, two daughters, Mrs. Aggie Hager and Mrs. Peggy Tussey; three sons, Paul E., Ronnie G. and Jack R. Blackburn. Other survivors include one brother, Stearl Hatfield; one sister, Fonnie Norman; one half-sister, Paula Faye Carriger; and two half-brothers, Tennis and Trivett Hatfield. Also, twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren are left to mourn her loss. She was preceded in death by one sister and one half-brother. She was married on April 3, 1971 to the late Oscar Pauley.

Sister Hazel became a member of the Salem Regular Baptist Church and was baptized on November 19, 1961 and was a faithful member until death. We truly believe our loss is her eternal gain and that she is resting from her labor and awaiting the resurrection of her body from the grave with all the saints of God.

I would like to say to her children, if you ever want to meet your Mother again, you must seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. There is only one path that leads to God and I believe that your mother walked close in that path and that her spirit is now in the sunlight of God.

Written by request of the family,

Her Brother in Christ,

Calvin C. Bevins

## CLARA RUTH STANLEY

Mommy was born April 6, 1926 and was the daughter of the late John B. Harris and Myrtle H. Farley, who survives. She was married to Ester L. Stanley. To this union were born two children, Mrs. Cledis Stump of Hardy, Ky. and Roger Stanley of Belfry, Ky. Mommy is survived by two brothers, John B. Harris, Jr. of Pikeville, Ky. and Thomas Lee Harris of Columbus, Ohio, and three grandchildren.



Mommy was a member of the Salem Regular Baptist Church at Goody, Ky. She left this world on the morning of January 3, 1981. My heart is broken and so lonely but Jesus has promised us a great homecoming day! That is the day I am waiting for, to be with Mommy, but most of all with Jesus, where there will be no more tears, heartaches and burdens to bear.

Mommy had prayed as long as I can remember to die the way she did. We know the Lord was so merciful and gave us strength to endure the heartbreak when he answered her prayers and took her home.

Some sweet day we can give our Lord all the praise He so sweetly deserves.

Written by her daughter,

Mrs. Cledis Stump

## HI STOLLINGS

Many times in the past Dad had asked me to write letters for him for one reason or other. It seems only fitting now that, with God's help, I should write one last thing for him.

On November 26, 1980, after a long battle with cancer, death came to my father Hi Stollings, in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He was born June 13, 1906 to the late William and Lydia Stollings. There are no surviving brothers and sisters.

He became a life long resident of Hardy, Ky. He was married on April 7, 1925 to Bernie Thacker and has a family of eleven children: three sons, Frennie, Hershel and Irvin; eight daughters: Madgeleine, Pearl, Mildred, Arlth, Doris, Jewel, Gail, and



Alane; there are also nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, all of which are surviving.

In 1942, he became employed by the Appalachian Power Company and retired October 1, 1969, after 27 years of service.

He joined and was baptized into the Narrows Branch Old Regular Baptist Church on March 22, 1975 by Elder Alson Thornbury and Elder John P. Church.

There is not anything that I can add to Dad's obituary for his life itself spoke clearly about what he stood for. His wife and children loved him dearly and stood by him till the end, however, God was with him always, even in death.

A few days before he died he looked up at a neighbor whom he loved dearly and said, "My title is clear." He then began to sing "When I Can Read My Title Clear." The beautiful thing about this experience was that no one had ever heard him sing before, not even Mom. Though he had wonderful dreams and visions before, I believe God gave this to him as final witness that indeed his title was clear and He was ready to receive him Home.

So, on Thanksgiving Day with a heavy heart, I looked down upon his face and I saw the peace he had long awaited and prayed for, I realized then we still had a lot to be thankful for. God had removed the pain from his body and gave him the rest that he was so weary for.

I know that in this final farewell Dad would want to say to everyone that, if you don't know God in the pardon and remission of your sins, call on Him before He calls for you. Death is final and heaven or hell is everlasting. He so wanted heaven to be everyone's home.

In Loving Memory of a Beloved Father,

Alane Stollings Hunt

## BERTHA HOWELL HOWARD

With much sadness we, the Leannah Church, will try to write the obituary of our beloved Sister, Bertha Howell Howard.

She was born December 16, 1920 and deceased this life August 20, 1981, making her stay here on earth 60 years, 8 months, and 4 days.

She was married to John L. Howard and to this union was born 8 children: three sons, James L. Howard and Thomas J. Howard, both of Pilgrim, and Willie Howard of Love-ly, one son, Lacey Howard, preceded her in death; four daughters, Dixie Sartin of Laura, Grace Williamson of Inez, Charity Hale of Lovely and America Robinson of Milo.



She had two brothers, Lacy B. Howell of Tomahawk and Johnny Howell of Threeforks. She also had three sisters: Myrtle Lowe of McCombs, Vicie Jude of Lovely and Ethel Maynard of Chataroy, W. Va. She had 26 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Sister Bertha was baptized into the Regular Baptist family several years ago. She took membership with the Leannah Church and lived a devoted christian life until death took her from our midst. But we feel our loss will be Heaven's gain.

We would like to say to the children and the family who have not repented of their sins, if you would like to see mother again get ready in this life. Choose Jesus as your personal Saviour, for Jesus said, I will go away and prepare a place for you and if I go, I will come again and receive you unto myself. We feel that Sister Bertha chose that good part and in that great morning, when Jesus calls for her again, she will awake from the sleeping dead to go home with Him and live forever more.

So, may we persuade you now, while you have life and opportunity, to get ready to live in that place where nobody dies.

Sadly Written by the  
Leannah Church

## CONSTITUTION OF THE SAMPSON ASSOCIATION

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 made it.

**ARTICLE 9.** The Association shall endeavor to furnish the Church 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.

*ARTICLE 15.* The Association shall have the power for the general union of the Churches: to preserve inviolable a chain of communion among the Churches; to give Churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause of the Churches failing to represent themselves at any time in the Association; to appropriate the money contributed by the Churches for the Association fund to any purpose they may think proper: to appoint any member, by their consent, to transact any business which they see necessary; and they shall have power to withdraw from any Church in the union which violates the rules of the Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; and to admit any orderly Minister of our order to 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 OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

*ARTICLE 1.* We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost; and these three are one, equal in power, essence and glory.

*ARTICLE 2.* We believe the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments of the Authorized King James Version of the Bible are the written words of God and are the only rules of faith and practice.

*ARTICLE 3.* We believe in the doctrine of election by grace, for by grace are ye saved through faith.

*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 the Saviour is needed for our redemption.

*ARTICLE 5.* We believe that sinners are called to repentance and believe in the Gospel and regeneration of the soul and sealed with Holy Spirit of promise, and none shall fall away and be lost.

*ARTICLE 6.* We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

*ARTICLE 7.* We believe that baptism is the ordinance of God's Church on earth and the mode of IMMERSION, back foremost, so as to cover all over.

*ARTICLE 8.* We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command

of the Saviour, and that by the use of bread and the fruit of the vine; and feet washing should be kept up until His second coming by His believers.

*ARTICLE 9.* We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

*ARTICLE 10.* We believe that no Minister has the right to administer the ordinances and commands of the Gospel except such as regularly ordained and baptized, and that by immersion by a legal administrator of the Gospel comes under the hands of a regularly chosen presbytery of the Church.

*ARTICLE 11.* We believe it to be the duty of all Church members to contribute for defraying all reasonable expenses of the Church, never forgetting the poor according to their several abilities.

*ARTICLE 12.* We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage or induce 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.

*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 one another, and have given themselves to the Lord and have agreed to keep up a Godly discipline according to the rules of the Gospel.

*ARTICLE 14.* We believe that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and the government thereof is upon His shoulders.

*ARTICLE 15.* None of the above Articles shall be considered as to hold with particular election and reprobation so as to make God partial, directly or indirectly, nor to injure any of the children of men; nor shall any of these Articles be altered without legal notice and free consent.

## RULES OF DECORUM

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

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

*ARTICLE 3.* Only one member shall speak at a time who shall arise from his seat and obtain consent from the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

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

*ARTICLE 5.* He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken so as to make remarks on his slips or imperfections, but shall fairly state the cause as nearly as he can so as to convey his ideas.

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

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- ARTICLE 7.** No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association; and only five minutes at a time.
- 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 member from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the Rules of Decorum.
- ARTICLE 11.** The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
- ARTICLE 12.** The Moderator shall have the same right of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled; and he shall have no right to vote unless the Association be equally divided, then he may give the deciding vote.
- ARTICLE 13.** Any member who shall willingly and knowingly violate any of the Decorum shall be reproved by the Association as they think proper.

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 TO THE 1981  
 SARDIS ASSOCIATION**

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 Maynard  
 ENON: Willis Staton, James Spencer, Chester Fields  
 REBECCA: Edwin Hay, James Gilman, Edward Runyon  
 BENT BRANCH: Merlin SESCO, Homer Collins, Clifford Maynard  
 SARDIS: Clayburn Varney, George Martin, Joe Evans  
 BIG BRANCH: Oscar McCoy, Landon Taylor, J.I. Nichols  
 MARY ELIZABETH: J.D. Walters, Rell Maynard, Glen Lowe  
 BETHANY: Ellis Davis, Isom Hannah, Marion Ledson, Jr.  
 ELK FORK: Harrison Baisden, David L. Baisden, Wayne Sheppard  
 PILGRIM'S HOME: Millard Robinette, Jim Bevins, Milford Lowe  
 SALEM: Roosevelt Lowe, W.H. Hale, Carl Bevins  
 SIDNEY: Tan Howell, John Jude, Jr., Arnold Howell  
 DIX FORK: Omer Williamson, David Crigger, Bobby Scott  
 NARROWS BRANCH: Clyde Brown, Charley Scott, Russell Thacker  
 LEANNAH: Ernest Cline, Garey Robinson, Bill Howard  
 BUCK CREEK: Delbert Kazee, Tom Dials, Wayne Herald, Jr.  
 TIBITHA: John Fouch, S.D. Hensley, Jack Robinette  
 LITTLE ROSA: Fay Scott, Frankie White, Lacy Marcum  
 TURKEY CREEK: Harold Blackburn, Granville Lowe, Willis L. Lowe  
 SAMARIA: Sherman May, Billy Ray May, Paul Vance  
 ROSA: Mark Cline, Lawrence Lester, Jerry Thompson  
 MUNCY VALLEY: R.F. Runyon, Jr., Tommy Ellis, Mont Ellis  
 LITTLE VIRGIE: Alson Thornbury, Lloyd Lowe, Willie Stiltner  
 SOUTHERN HOME: Earl Belcher, Robert R. Clay, Gene Radliff  
 PILGRIM'S REST: Foster Blackburn, Leon Robinson, Dallas Maynard  
 OKEECHOBEE: Monroe Ousley, Charles Clark, Charley Stewart  
 ELIZABETH: John Castle, Kelly Castle, Kirk Caudill, Jr.  
 LITTLE TAVIE: Chester Cochran, William H. Cochran, Julius Cochran

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MT. PLEASANT	Lloyd SESCO	125	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	43	\$75	2	July
APPLE ORCHARD	Andrew Maynard	75	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	100	1	June
ENON	Lloyd SESCO	75	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	20	65	1	June
REBECCA	Edward Runyon	100	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	64	125	2	Aug.
BENT BRANCH	Edwin May	100	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	125	3	June
SARDIS	Steve Robinson, Jr.	150	8	1	0	0	1	2	0	78	125	4	Aug.
BIG BRANCH	Ernest Cochran	100	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	33	100	3	July
MARY ELIZABETH	Wallace Muncy	125	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	48	100	3	July
BETHANY	Ison Hannah	125	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	54	100	4	Aug.
ELK FORK	David L. Baisden	75	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	100	3	Aug.
PILGRIM'S HOME	Edwin May	250	6	0	0	0	0	6	0	104	150	4	Aug.
SALEM	Roosevelt Lowe	100	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	57	125	1	May
SIDNEY	Thomas J. Dials	150	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	34	75	4	June
DIX FORK	Ernest Cochran	200	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	73	125	1	July
NARROWS BRANCH	Willis Lowe	100	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	45	100	4	July
LEANNAH	Steve Robinson, Jr.	100	7	0	0	0	3	1	0	51	100	2	July
BUCK CREEK	Wayne Herald	125	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	47	110	3	June
TIBITHA	Charley Evans	75	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	70	1	Aug.
LITTLE ROSA	Wallace Muncy	50	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	18	50	2	April
TURKEY CREEK	Willis Lowe	150	3	3	0	0	0	1	1	83	100	2	May
SAMARIA	Edward Runyon	100	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	46	150	1	Aug.
ROSA	Johnny Cline	150	1	1	1	0	0	3	1	81	130	3	Aug.
MUNCY VALLEY	Tommy Ellis	25	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	23	25	2	June
LITTLE VIRGIE	Lloyd SESCO	65	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	75	4	June
SOUTHERN HOME	Tommy Adair, Sr.	150	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	41	150	1	April
PILGRIM'S REST	Willie Stlthner	65	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	24	100	2	June
OKEECHOBEE	Monroe Ousley	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	50	2	April
ELIZABETH	Wayne Herald	75	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	24	50	1	June
LITTLE TAVIE	Claude Brown	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	75	2	July
TOTALS		3080	62	9	2	1	9	33	7	1317	2825		