How Great
Thou Art

OLD REGULAR BAPTIST
MINUTES
OF
1963





IN MEMORY OF ELDER ESTER HOPKINS

DECEASED

MODERATOR OF SARDIS ASSOCIATION

Elder Ester Hopkins; mercy to call from our midst our dearly beloved Modera Whereas it hath pleased God in His infinite wisdom

enjoyment of His peace and rest; And whereas God hath called him from His labor to

many long years, he strove for the unity of the Church, And since while he served as our dear Moderator fo

soundness of the doctrine and love among the brethren.

ters, "Let brotherly love continue." sociation of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Chi Hopkins, and in the love of God, say to his brothers and in memory of our dear departed Moderator, Elder E Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, The Sardis

everly looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of and let us run with patience the race that is set before side every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset Let us like Brother Ester Hopkins admonished us, "La

bors and friends, and all of our brothers and sisters. May God richly bless Brother Hopkins' family, his ne

and enjoy the happiness which Jesus hath prepared for those that love and serve Him. May we dwell together in love and in the unity of the sp and at last may we reach our Heavenly he Written by one of his bret!

Elder Harold Edmonds

SEVENTY - FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE OF THE OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

by Elder Wayne Herald. Text: Matthew 15:13 "But he answered ed, shall be rooted up. and said, every plant which my heavenly Father hath not plantwere made for the preaching. The service was introduced by 13th, 14th, and 15th, 1963 at the place where arrangements Elder J. G. Thornsbury followed by the introductory sermon In session assembled with the Sardis Church, September

- received the letters and seated the delegates. Called for the letters from the several churches and
- Moderator, Elder Ellis Davis Clerk and Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Assistant Clerk. Willie White as Moderator, Elder Emmett Case Assistant The Association then organized by electing Elder
- ator make all temporary appointments. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Moder-
- were read by the clerk. At the request of the Moderator the Rules of Decorum
- Called for newly organized churches and received
- received the following: Called for the letters from Sister Associations and

brook, Linnie Boyd, Burton Howard, Banner Manns, Tack and Hager Watts. Letter in the hands of Elder E. J. Little Hall, Woodrow Dye, Glen Pack, Elvie Collins, Clinton Slone, Wiley Coffee, Hamilton Blevins, Mack McCloud, R. E. Hol-NEW SALEM -- By the hands of Elders Virgil Caudill

ing, Earl Belcher, C. D. Lane, John M. Justice, Delbert UNION -- By the hands of Elders John Hess, Fon Boll-

> ter in the hands of John T. Church. Sanders, Mander Yontz, J. H. Castle, Melvin Johnson, Will Bruce Mullins, Bros. M. A. Music and Oliver Tackett. Le Emery Kiser, Evans Bailey, Rosco O'quen, Rufus Colema Kendrick, Clifford Collie, Ted Swindal, Jesse L. Williamso

and John Reed. Letter in the hands of Elder Eales Cottor Shade Smith, Golden Adkins, Don Merritt, Elmer Raybu ress, Tom Blackburn, George Woods, Bros. Banner Johnso PHILADELPHIA -- By the hands of Elders C. M. Chil

of Luther Ball. Hall, Ernest Breedlove, Bro. Lee Vance. Letter in the hand MUD RIVER -- By the hands of Elders Dow Hurley, Be

Shaw Jr., Winford Riddle, Juber Music, and Alonzo Tacket Smith, Shade Meeks, John Mullins, Mc Kinley Rowe, R. Letter in the hands of Bro. Harold Varney. Baxter Osborne, Roy B. Akers, R. A. Shaw, Bros. Lloy er Elliott, Charles Kessee, Sidney Hudson, Covis Tacket NORTHERN NEW SALEM -- By the hands of Elders Hon

of Morgan Belcher. Blair, Wilford Blair, Richard Keen, Amos Crouse, Julius I Jink Baker, George Allen, Gurlie Crabtree, Booker Riffe, (Lester, Joe Runyons, and Arnold Fuller. Letter in the hand W. Hopson, A. J. Crouse, Bros. George Endicutt, H. V FRIENDSHIP -- By the hands of Elders Mynion Justic

Letter in the hands of Kirby Isom. Williams, William Cox, I. B. Beck and Dewey Hampton Raymond Collins, Charles Cornett, Wardie Craft, Odc THORNTON UNION -- By the hands of Elders Halie Dye:

hands of Elder Alonzo Allen. ridge, Beckham Fields, and Jess Eversole. Letter in th INDIAN BOTTOM -- By the hands of Elders Olus Bald

- fellowship by our Moderator. delegates seated in council, being given the right hand (The foregoing letters were read, received and th
- Called for transient Ministers and members of ou

bury, Lonnie Mounts, B. H. Bevins, Earl Hogston, Marshell taith and order. Keceived the following: Elders J. G. Inorns-Davis, George Elkins.

- FRIENDSHIP, THORNTON UNION AND INDIAN BOTTOM. pond with the following associations: NEW SALEM, UNION, PHILADELPHIA, MUD RIVER, NORTHERN NEW SALEM, By motion and second, it was ordered that we corres-
- sociations. Clerk appointed to write letters to corresponding as-
- Jessie Farley. as follows: Elders Cecil Evans, Willie Varney and Bro. with Ministers and that peace is preserved around the stand Committee appointed to see that the stand be supplied
- Farley and Elder Cecil Evans. Brethren as follows: Committee appointed to take care of the visiting Elders Willie Varney, Bro. Jessie
- day night and Saturday, consisting of one member from each reported as follows: church and the entire delegation of the Sardis Church, which Committee appointed to arrange the preaching for Fri-

FRIDAY NIGHT

ASSOCIATION:

Evans Bailey George Woods George A. Hobson E. Holbrook Friendship New Salem

Union

Philadelphia

SATURDAY:

Baxter Osborne Tommy Adair Beckham Fields Roy Akers Ernest Breedlove

Sardis Northern New Salem Mud River Northern New Salem Indian Bottom

14. Committee on Arrangements appointed consisting of

> business for Saturday's session. egates from our corresponding associations, to arrange one delegate from each church, Moderator, Clerk and D

- these two Associations. Association to try and bring about correspondence between Baptist Association to work with a like committee from t sociation to send a committee to the Tri-State Zion Uni By motion and second it is ordered by the Sardis A
- of the Sardis Association had received some of their exclud because they maintain that Sidney Church and Rosa Chur members. corresponding brethren objected to this committee being se send this order because the Tri-State Zion United Bapt Wayne Herald and second from Bro. Lewis Marcum to r This order met with a move on Saturday from B:
- Saturday morning. J. Robinson, the Association was adjourned until nine o'clo On motion by Elder Willie Stanley and second by

SATURDAY MORNING

sociation then proceeded as follows: Adair. Followed by prayer by Elder Tommy Adair. The A old songs of Zion, service was introduced by Elder Tomn Met pursuant to adjournment and after singing sever

- Called the roll and marked the absentees.
- Committee on same. Read the Bill of Arrangements and discharged th
- Wayne Herald, Bro. Uley Perry and Elder Baxter Osborn Appointed a committee on Finance as follows: Elde
- follows: Called for Treasurer to report, who reported a

Total on hand for the year ending September 9, 1962 ----\$665.50

Paid out for printing of minutes

Secretary's and Clerk's fee

Total Paid out

Balance on hand September 13, 1962

Received from Churches this year

Received from pictures and donations

\$70.00

Balance on hand for September 15, 1963

Total received

\$668.00

\$662.50

- 5. By motion and second, it is ordered that Elder Ellis Davis be appointed Secretary and Treasurer and that he be allowed \$10.00 for his service.
- 6. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes and have 3000 copies printed and that he be allowed \$75.00 for his service.
- 7. Appointed the same Committee to arrange the preaching for Saturday night and Sunday which reported as follows:

SATURDAY NIGHT

	Isom Hannah	Tracy Hatfield	Elders: Charlie Johnson
Sardis	Sardis	Sardis	Sardis

SUNDAY:

Ь	Reckham Fields	R. A. Shaw	Earl Belcher
Sardis	Indian Bottom	Northern New Salem	Union

- 8. By motion and second, it is ordered that our next Association be held with the Rosa Church at Gilbert, West Virginia.
- Letters to Sister Associations read and appointed delegates as follows:

Right Beaver, Floyd County Kentucky, beginning on Fridabefore the 4th Saturday in July 1964. Elders J. G. Thornabury, Emmett Case, B. H. Bevins, J. L. Nichols, Will White and Tracy Hatfield, Bros. Bill Williams, John Mannard, Russell Thacker, Forest Mc Guire, Uley Perry and Earl D. West. Letter in the hands of Elder Edwin May.

UNION -- To be held with the Little Ruth Church at Gree Cove Springs, Florida beginning on Friday before the this Saturday in September 1963. Elders: Tommy Adair, Hira Young, John Lowe, Granvel P. Combs, Earl Clay and Johnn Adair. Bros. Childmer Marcum, Fred Lowe, Berl Robin son, Clarence Grubb, and Jobie Blackburn. Letter in hanc of Elder Tommy Adair.

NORTHERN NEW SALEM -- To be held with the Little Rebecca Church at Plymouth County Richland, Ohio, beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in August 196-Elders Jonah E. Williamson, Lloyd Sesco, Tracy Hatfield George Elkins, Edwin May, J. G. Thornsbury, and Williwhite. Bros. Russell Thacker, Newton Walters, Troy Walters, L. C. Walters, Forest Mc Guire, Earl D. West. Letter in the hands of Elder Emmett Case.

PHILADELPHIA -- To be held with the Friendship Church Flatwoods, Greenup County Kentucky beginning on Fridatefore the second Saturday in August 1964. Elders Clyc Brown, Lewis Marcum, Avery Lowe, Edwin May, Emme Case, Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Willie White and Trac Hatfield. Bros. Stewart Brown, Burlie Thornsbury, Landor Taylor, Uley Perry, John Maynard, Donnie Lowe, and Rus sell Thacker. Letter in the hands of Elder J. G. Thornsbury.

THORNTON UNION -- To be held with the Blair Branc Church at Jeremiah, Letcher County Kentucky beginning of Friday before the third Saturday in August 1964. Elder: Ottis Hall, Emmett Case, Ernest Cochran and Jonah E Williamson. Bros. Jim Bevins, Earl D. West and Newton Walters. Letter in the hands of Elder Lløyd Sesco.

MUD RIVER -- To be held with the Sarah Church at Fos

the fourth Saturday in August 1964. Elders: Tracy Hatfield, Herald and Isom Hannah. Bros. Andy May, Evert Smith, Ersel Prince, and Willis Lowe. Letter in the hands of Elder Jeff May.

Wyoming County, West Virginia beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September 1964. Elders: Lewis Marcum, Mont Ellis, Tracy Hatfield, Carlos Medows, Charlie Evans, and Avery Lowe. Bros. Russell Thacker, Bill Williams, and Stanford Maynard. Letter in the hands of Elder Ottis Hall.

INDIAN BOTTOM -- To be held with the Oven Fork Church beginning on Friday before the first Saturday in September 1964. Elders: Emmett Case, J. G. Thornsbury, Clyde Brown, Cecil Evans, Willie White, Willie Varney, Lloyd Sesco and Jonah E. Williamson. Bros. Burlie Thornsbury and Stewart Brown. Letter in the hands of Bro. Earl D. West.

- 10. Item 11 in our 1962 minutes, the Query from the Southern Home Church concerning Secret Orders was taken up in the Association work and a move and second was made to resend the order. Objection: Vote taken, 14 to keep it and 39 to do away with it.
- II. In answer to the query from Rosa Church and Mary Elizabeth Church 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.
- 12. By regular move and second it was decided to wait until next year to consider the letter sent to the Association by the Salem Church regarding the establishment of an advisory council. Elder: B. H. Bevins was appointed to see that a copy of this letter was furnished to each church.
- 13. By motion and second, it is ordered that request for Union and Memorial Meetings be published in our Minutes.
- 14. By motion and second, it is ordered that the obituaries

- of our deceased Brothers and Sisters that are in good staing with the church at time of death be printed in our minut. These are to be presented to the Clerk at the close of the sociation or within ten days thereafter.
- 15. The Circular Letter written by Elder Jonah Bevins 1952 was read and on motion and second, was ordered twe discontinue printing the Circular Letters in our Minut
- 16. By motion and second, it is ordered that we adviour Ministers of our Association not to marry people is adultry, where either man or woman has a living wife or huband.
- 17. Shall we receive into our fellowship men or worn having more than one wife or husband? ANSWER: Weadvithe Churches not to receive into their fellowship any sucexcept those who have put away their companions for the cau of fornication. Such cases to have Gospel or Church eviden of same.
- 18. By motion and second, it is ordered that we disconting the printing of Item 18 in our 1962 minutes.
- 19. By motion and second, it is ordered that we disco tinue the printing of Item 19 in our 1962 minutes.
- 20. By vote, it is ordered that Elder Edwin May prea the introductory sermion at our next Association and Eld Jonah E. Williamson be his alternate.
- 21. By motion and second, it is ordered that we tend our thanks to the Matewan Lumber Company, Community Large, Tommy Farley's Service Station and any one else f helping make our Association a success.
- 22. By motion and second, it is ordered that the Minut be read, approved and signed by the Moderators and Clerk
- 23. By motion and second, it is ordered that we be journed to the time and place mentioned above.

This work done and signed by the Sardis Association:

Elder Emmett Case, Asst. Moderator
Elder Ellis Davis, Clerk
Bro. Ralph W. E. Varney, Jr., Asst. Clerk

SUNDAY SERVICE -- SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

- I. We met with a large and orderly congregation of Brothers, Sisters and Friends. After singing several beautiful hymns of Zion, service was introduced by Elder Earl Belcher from the Union Association. Text: St. John 2:5. His mother said unto the servants, whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. Prayer by Elder Earl Belcher.
- 2. Elder R. A. Shaw of the Northern New Salem Association came to the stand and used for a Text: Hebrews 11:10, For he looked for a City which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.
- 3. Elder Beckham Fields of the Indian Bottom Association came to the stand and used for a Text: II Corinthians 5:17. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature; old things are passed away; behold all things are become new.
- 4. Elder Willie White, the Moderator of the Sardis Association, came to the stand and used for a Text: Zechariah 13:1, In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleaness."

Service was closed by the way of singing and much rejoicing in the Lord, with Elder Tommy Adair closing with prayer. Dismission called by Elder Ellis Davis.

Dear Lord of the Eternal Heaven, bless every one of us according to your will and let no malice, enving and strife come among out Brethern and Churches over foolishness. God of greatmercy, bless us to have a peaceable Association when we meet at the Rosa Church.

Your Clerk.

TO ATTEND

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SOUTHERN HOME: First Friday, Saturday and Sunda Communion Saturday evening. Ministers called: Elde Willie White, Ellis Davis, Cecil Evans, Willie Varney, Manard Hay, Avery Lowe, Wayne Herald, and Ireland Harriso

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SALEM: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Satuday at 4:00 P. M. Elders Edwin May and Otis Hall

TURKEY CREEK: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday at 4:00 P.M. Elders Wayne Herald, Charl Johnson, Emmett Case, and Ernest Cochran.

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APPLE ORCHARD: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Edwin May, Grover Adkin Willie White, and Ellis Davis.

ENON: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Edwin May, Faye Scott, Otis Hall and Emma Case.

LITTLE ROSA: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communi-Saturday evening. Elders Emmett Case, Wayne Herald, Ewin May, and Lloyd Sesco.

MUNCY VALLEY: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion on Saturday at 5:00 P. M. Elders John Fouch and Way: Herald.

BUCK CREEK: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Eales Cotton, Edwin May, Jon. E. Williamson, and N. A. England.

LITTLE VIRGIE: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Comn

bury, Emmett Case, and Jonah E. Williamson.

SIDNEY: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Ernest Cochran, Johnnie Cline, and Milford Lowe.

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DIX FORK: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday at 4:00 P. M. Elders Grover Adkins, Jonah E. Williamson, Wayne Herald, Otis Hall, and Jethro Hampton.

SAMARIA: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Wayne Herald, J. L. Nichols, Milford Lowe, and Jonah E. Williamson.

LEANNAH: Second Saturday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Willie White, Tracy Hatfield, Edwin May and Wayne Herald.

MT. PLEASANT: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Roy B. Akers, Lloyd Sesco, Baxter Osborne and Wayne Herald.

BIG BRANCH: Third Saturday and Sunday starting at one o'clock. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Willie White and Hershel Huff.

MARY ELIZABETH: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Clinton Howard, Willie White, Wiley Coffee, and Baxter Osborne.

ROSA: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion third Sunday in July. Elders Wayne Herald, Willie White, Edwin May and Isom Hannah.

NARROWS BRANCH: Friday before fourth Saturday evening. Elders Paris Tackett, Emmett Case, Eales Cotton, and Wayne Herald.

PILGRIM HOME: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Union

Meeting fourth Saturday in July. Elders Baxter Osborne Otis Hall, Tack K. Hall, Mack Mc Cloud, and Ernest Cockran.

AUGUST

TABITHA: First Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Edwin May, Willie Varney, Willie White, Ellis Davis, and Isom Hannah.

REBECCA: Second Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Wayne Herald, Isom Hannah, Ed May, and Eales Cotton and Sidney Hudson.

ELK FORK: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Cecil Evans, Willie Varney Charlie Evans, and Willie White.

BENT BRANCH: Third Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Wayne Herald and Jonah E Williamson.

BETHANY: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communion Saturday evening. Elders Eales Cotton, Andrew Maynard George Woods, and Wayne Herald.

SARDIS: Fourth Saturday and Sunday. Communior Saturday evening. Elders Jeff May, Charlie Evans, Edwir May and John Fouch.

PILGRIM HOME: Fourth Sunday. Ministers called: Elders Lloyd Sesco, Otis Hall, Sid Hudson, Baxter Osborne and Evans Bailey.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS

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ELK FORK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the third Saturday and Sunday in May 1964. Ministers called Willie White, Ellis Davis, Andrew Maynard, and Cecil Evans

ing on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1964. Ministers called: Harold Edmonds, Matt Justice, and Wayne Herald.

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MEMORIAL MEETING of Pete Mc Coy and son, Jim Ratliff and family and others will be held on the Ratliff's Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in May 1964. Ministers called: Charlie Johnson, Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Ernest Cochran, and Emmett Case.

TABITHA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday and Sunday in May 1964 for all the Brethren, Sisters of the Tabitha Church that have departed this life and gone on. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Charlie Evans, Willie Varney, Carlos Meadows, and Isom Hannah.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held at Jobe Blackburn May 31, 1964. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Wayne Herald, B. H. Bevins, and Edwin May.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Pigeon Roost Branch Cemetery, Route 1, Delbarton, W. Va., on Sunday following the fourth Saturday in May 1964. Ministers called: Faye Scott, John Fouch and Charlie Evans.

NARROWS BRANCH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the fourth Saturday and Sunday in May 1964. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Jonah E. Williamson, Edwin May, and Wiley Coffee.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased on the Muncy Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in May 1964. Ministers called: Edwin May, Emmett Case, and Wayne Herald.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Runyon's Cemetery on Long Branch for all the deceased on Sunday nearest May 30, 1964. Ministers called: Jeff May, Faye Scott, and Avery Lowe.

MEMORIAL MEETING of John Jude will be held on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in May 1964. Ministers called: Clinton Howard, J. L. Nichols, and Milford Lowe.

ROSA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the fir Saturday and Sunday in June 1964 at the Cline Cemetery. Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

BENT BRANCH CHURCH will hold a memorial meet on the third Saturday and Sunday in June 1964. Ministe called: John M. Justice, and Emmett Case.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Marvin Stanle: Cemetery on Dix Fork on the third Sunday in June 1964 three o'clock. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, Otis Ha Charlie Johnson and H. C. Maynard.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother James and Sister Be Gilman and others will be held on the third Sunday in Ju 1964 at the Cemetery where they are buried, just above Elk Fork Church. Ministers called: Cecil Evans, Wil Varney and Isom Hannah.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother William, and Siste Cora and Ida Riffe will be held on the first Sunday in July 1964. Ministers called: Mont Ellis, Cecil Evans, Chartevans, and Carlos Meadows. This will be held on the Ricemetery at Hanover, West Virginia.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder W. A. Hurley will held at the Estepp Cemetery on the Duncan Fork of Traceek on Sunday after the Second Saturday in June 19 Ministers called: Ellis Davis, Gilbert Miller, Bert Hand Ernest Breedlove.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting Sister Esta M. Reed, Marildia M. Robinson and others Sunday after the second Saturday in June 1964. Minist called: Edwin May, Lloyd Sesco, Jonah E. Williamson, this is near Ben Scott's home.

MEMORIAL MEETING at the Scott Cemetery on Brush Creek on Sunday after the third Saturday in June 1964. Min ters called: Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Edwin May Ernest Cochran.

and wife will be held on the fourth Sunday in June 1964. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Edwin May, J. L. Nichols, and Ernest Cochran.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Sunday in July 1964 at the Justice Cemetery, Lando Mines, West Virginia. Ministers called: Willie White, Cecil Evans, Andrew Maynard, and Ellis Davis. In memory of Sister Dolly Justice and her daughter Rebecca Vinson.

BUCK CREEK will hold a memorial meeting of Brother Jessie Maynard and others on the third Sunday in July 1964. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Willie Dials, and Tracy Hatfield.

MEMORIAL MEETING OF J. M. Taylor and family Brother Flem Maynard and family, and all others at the Taylor Cemetery will be held on the Taylor Cemetery on Sunday after the third Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: Edwin May, Otis Hall, and Ernest Cochran.

SARDIS CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Adair Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: B. H. Bevins, Wayne Herald, Avery Lowe and Tommy Adair.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of all deceased on the Robinson Cemetery on Sunday after the second Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: Willie White, Tracy Hatfield, and Edwin May.

(a) Memorial of Tom Mc Coy, Oscar Blackburn, Dike Blackburn and the infant baby of Ollie Phillips is to be preached at the same time of the above Leannah Church Memorial. All of these are buried in the cemetery at the mouth of Wolf Creek.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother Carl Lowe, Phillip Hannah, and Linda Sue Taylor will be held on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, J. L. Nichols, Edwin May, Lloyd Sesco, and Rosevelt Lowe.

ter of Jobe Blackburn at Pilgrim, Kentucky, will be held of the first Sunday in July 1964. Ministers called: J. L. Nichol Jeff May, Ernest Cochran, and Edwin May.

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on Long Branch on the third Sunday in July 1964. Min isters called: Charlie Johnson, Harold Edmonds, an Avery Lowe. Dinner near by.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held for all the decease on the Julius Scott Cemetery at Hardy, Kentucky on Sunda after the third Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: F. C. Maynard, Edwin May, Willie Stanley, and Jonah I Williamson.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder F. M. Preece, Sr. and others will be held on the Preece or Runyon Cemetery of Sunday after the second Saturday in July 1964. Minister called: Wayne Herald, Emmett Case, and Jonah E. William son.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held at the Big Branc Church on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in July 1964 Ministers called: Charlie Johnson, Wayne Herald, Edw. May, Harvey Lowe and J. L. Nichols.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held at Brother Jame White's home on Laurel Fork of Pigeon Creek the third Saturday night and Sunday in July 1964. Ministers called: Joh Fouch, George Elkins, Carlos Gibson and Ellis Davis.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held on the Smith's Ceme tery, at Rockhouse Fork of Big Creek, on Sunday, following the third Saturday in July 1964. Ministers called: Jonah E Williamson, Emmett Case, and Kirby Isom.

AUGUST

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Dillon Cemetery, three miles from Dingess, West Virginia near the church house and across from Brother Everett Hannah's home, on the first Sunday in August 1964. Minister

catted: Willie White, Isom Hannan, and Willis Dials.

ENON CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in August 1964. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, Hershel Huff, and H. C. Maynard.

MEMORIAL MEETING will be held for Brother Andy Maynard and others on the second Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: J. L. Nichols, Emmett Case, Jonah E. Williamson, and Lloyd Sesco.

BETHANY CHURCH will hold its memorial meeting at the same time as the Union Meeting, the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August 1964. Ministers called: Eales Cotton, George Woods, Wayne Herald and W. H. May.

DIX FORK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the first Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: Edwin May, B. H. Bevins, and N. A. England.

MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of Elder J. W. Smith and others, deceased members on Sunday after the third Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: H. C. Maynard, Jonah E. Williamson, and Charlie Johnson.

REBECCA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting of Elder Hi Maynard, Elder W. C. Hay, Elder M. J. Mounts, and others on Sunday after the second Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: The same ones as the Union Meeting.

LITTLE ROSA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday in August 1964. Ministers called: Wayne Herald, and B. H. Bevins.

SIDNEY CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for the deceased members of the Sidney Church on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in August 1964. Ministers called: W. H. May, Jeff May, Wayne Herald, and Tracy Hatfield.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting for all the deceased buried on the Lowe Cemetery, Pike County,

Ministers called: Harvey Lowe, Milford Lowe, Clinton Hovard, Tracy Hatfield, Wayne Herald and Herschel Huff.

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the Hannah Cemetery, in the head of Marrowbone Creek, We Virginia, on the third Sunday in August 1964. Ministers cal ed: Wayne Herald, Faye Scott, Andrew Maynard.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Pfc. Edward Mc Coy and other will be held on the Henry Taylor Cemetery on Sunday after the fourth Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: Enest Cochran, Edwin May, and J. L. Nichols.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Aunt Jane Lowe and others with be held on the first Sunday in August 1964. Ministers calle Willis Dials, Milford Lowe, Tracy Hatfield and Emmett Cas Located on Pigeon Roost Fork at Wolf Creek.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother Harrison Mc Coy an others will be held on Sunday after the third Saturday in August 1964. Ministers called: Ernest Cochran, J. L. Nicholand Otis Hall.

APPLE ORCHARD CHURCH willhold a memorial mee ing on Sunday after the first Saturday in August 1964. Miniters called: Otis Hall, Wayne Herald, and H. C. Maynar

MEMORIAL MEETING of Brother John and Sister Melvis Allen, Rose Allen, Will Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Ellen Alle grandchildren and others, will be held at the Hays Lov Cemetery on the first Sunday in August 1964. Ministers cal ed: Ireland Harrison, H. G. Maynard, Charlie Johnson a Wayne Herald. There will be dinner on the ground.

SEPTEMBER

MEMORIAL MEETING on Joe Taylor Cemetery will held on Sunday after the first Saturday in September 196 Ministers called: Edwin May, Charlie Johnson, and Milfo Lowe.

MARY ELIZABETH CHURCH will hold a memorial mee

ing of Elder Wallace Jackson and others on Sunday after the third Saturday in September 1964. Ministers called: Emmett Case, Jonah E. Williamson, and Charlie Johnson.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Rosco Mc Coy and others will be held on the third Sunday in September 1964. Ministers called: J. L. Nichlos, Harvey Lowe, Ernest Cochran and Edwin May.

MEMORIAL MEETING of Elder W. H. Bowling, wife and family will be held at Tom Price School House, Pisco, Kentucky on the first Saturday and Sunday in September 1964. Ministers called: Jonah E. Williamson, Lloyd Sesco, Ireland Harrison, and Emmett Case.

SAMARIA CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting at the Lackey Cemetery in the head of Marrowbone Creek, West Virginia, on the first Sunday in September 1964. Ministers called: Isom Hannah, Cecil Evans, and Willie Varney.

OCTOBER

SALEM CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting the first Saturday and Sunday in October 1964. Ministers called: Wayne Herald and Baxter Osborne.

TURKEY CREEK CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday in October 1964. Ministers called: Emmett Case, Charlie Johnson, and Jonah E. Williamson.

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the second Saturday and Sunday in October 1964. Ministers called: Johnny Hall, Jonah E. Williamson, and Emmett Case.

PILGRIMS HOME CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the fourth Saturday and Sunday in October 1964. All Regular Baptist Ministers are invited.

LEANNAH CHURCH will hold a memorial meeting on the Scott Cemetery near Jack Jude's home, on Sunday after the second Saturday in October 1964. Ministers called: Willis Dials, Edwin May and J. L. Nichols.

Ohituaries

ELDER ESTER HOPKINS

Elder Ester Hopkins, beloved Moderator of the Sardis A sociation of Old Regular Baptist, the Church of Jesus Chris was born at Henry, Virginia on April 8, 1892, the son of t late Thomas and Susan Hopkins. Brother Hopkins decease this life on November 28, 1962 at about 11:10 P. M. in the Williamson Memorial Hospital, making his stay here years, 7 months and 20 days.

Brother Hopkins was married to Sister Minnie Belle Harris on July 30, 1912 and to this union were born six childre One daughter, Etta Ruth Hopkins, and one son, James Thoma Hopkins preceded their father in death.

Brother Hopkins became a Christian atan early age, being baptised into the membership of the Mt. Pleasant Churcof Old Regular Baptist at the hands of Elders John B. Weedington and J. W. Smith. He was licensed to preach on the second Saturday in September 1915 and ordained to the ministry on the second Saturday in February 1916, with Elder J. W. Smith and John B. Weddington, being the Presbyter He was one of the members given off in an arm from the M. Pleasant Church to form the Salem Regular Baptist Churcat the mouth of Pond Creek. He was very active in the ministry and helped not only the Salem Church but several other to build and beautify their Church houses. Elected Moderator of the Sardis Association 27 times, he served the Association as its Moderator for over 26 years.

Brother Hopkins was a great believer in the revelation he received in dreams. His daughter, Susie, remembers that he told them the Lord had told him in a dream that the last sermon he would preach would be based on I Corinthian Chapter 15, verse 58: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, lye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not invain the Lord." He preached his last sermon on this scripture the Narrows Branch Church.

us if the Lord let him live and gave him strength to tell it. " to see that wonderful place. He said he had a lot more to tell ever seen and it was worth all the suffering he had gone through shining and new again. It was the most beautiful place he had would throw them right back up and they were made bright and go down in this fountain and the wheel (wheel in a wheel) mustard seed. He said that it looked like the spirits would said we talked about the spirit. It looked like they were like a this was pure aluminum and this was where it came from. He water wheel. It was made of aluminum and the Lord told him place. Down in the "Fountain of Youth" was a wheel, like a the "Fountain of Youth". He said it was the most beautiful but at the same time he could see part of Heaven. He saw his shots. He thought they were trying to put him to sleep, bout midnight he thought he was dying and he believed he died strength to do so, for he had a wonderful vision. He said aeyes and he said he wanted to tell us something while he had came by to see him and we talked awhile. Tears came to his THE THE STORY ... CATOLIN STRING "AND THE TRAINING THE TR He said he knew when the nurses gave him

Survivors include his wife, Sister Minnie Hopkins; one daughter, Mrs. Saylor Runyon, Jr. of Goody; three sons, Edward Hopkins, of Huddy, Kenneth Hopkins, of Matewan, W. Va., and Ester Hopkins, Jr., of Goody, Kentucky; two brothers, Dr. Thomas Hopkins, of Montgomery, Alabama, and Lemuel Hopkins, of Danville, Virginia; one sister, Mrs. Sallie Beth Setliff, of Danville, Virginia; one half brother, Riland Hopkins, of Goody, Kentucky, and several half sisters of Danville, Virginia, seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren besides a great host of relatives and friends who are left to mourn his loss.

But we feel that our loss is His eternal gain. For Heaven is much more beautiful than any place in this world. Even the "Holy Land" which Brother Hopkins and Sister Hopkins were privileged to visit as part of their celebration of their golden wedding anniversary, can not even compare with the beauties of that place where Christ went to prepare for us.

Yes, Sister Hopkins and you children and loved ones of this great Christian that dweltamong us and helped us share our joys and griefs, listen to the words of His Lord and Master, "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions;

place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I we come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I are there ye may be also."

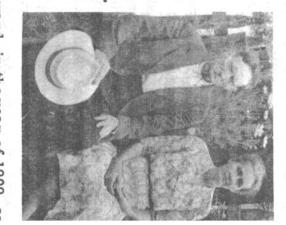
To his Brothers and Sisters in Christ, "May we be a ways abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as know that our labour is not in yain in the Lord,"

May God richly bless and save every one of us, is r prayer in Jesus' blest and holy name.

Written by one he loved, as requested by the famil Elder Harold Edmonds.

BROTHER ELVERT MAYNARD

forty years of his life. He came ease, asthma, for more than months and eight days. He was stay on earth 72 years, five ceased January 23, 1963 at and Alcie Ann Lowe. tucky; in the year of 1890, a Creek, in Pike County, Kensided at death. October 1947, where he reto Florida for his health in afflicted with the dreaded dis Sparr, Florida, making his son of Elder Heenon Maynard He was born on Brushy He de-



He was married to Susie Howard, in the year of 1909, and to this union were born seven children, five boys and twee girls. Hansel died in infancy, James H. Maynard of Spar Florida, Howard W. Maynard, John H. Maynard and Hanle B. Maynard all of Ocala, Florida, Her ma Blackburn Orange Lake, Florida and Hertha Nunnery of Sparr, Florida

He joined the church, and was baptised at the hands Elders Heenon Maynard and A. J. Case; and became affiliate with the Apple Orchard Church of Old Regular Baptist, in the year of 1929, and was soon ordained a deacon. Later he was ordained to the ministry. To these duties he was faithful, a long as he was able. He lifted his letter at the Apple Orchard Church, and was in the organization of the Southern Homes.

his name is still recorded. and took his letter back to the Apple Orchard Church. There Church of Old Regular Baptist. Later he became dissatisfied

our loss is his gain. a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss. But we feel tucky, one sister, Edna Scalf of Turkey Creek, Kentucky, and nard of Ocala, Florida, and R. B. Maynard of Heenon, Kenchildren, two great grandchildren, two brothers, E. V. May-He leaves his companion and six children, twelve grand-

tended by Elder Bert Nowlen, of the Union Association. labor, and their works do follow them. " His funeral was atfrom henceforth, yea, sayeth the Spirit, they rest from their but this is enough. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord, Florida. There are many good things we could say about him, He was buried in the Southern Home Cemetery at Sparr,

box 175, Ocala, Florida. Written by his brother, Elder E. V. Maynard, route 5,

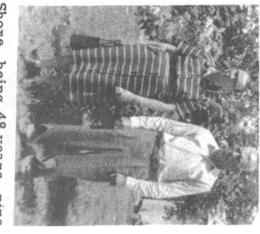
SISTER MYRTLE (JACKSON) FRALEY

sister in the Lord. sweet companion and blessed prepare this obituary of my in my weakness and sadness to that has ever come to me to try This is the hardest task

tack while traveling in Greenaway suddenly of a heart atary 22, 1914, at Hatfield, Pike Jackson and Sarah Ann (Gil-County, Kentucky and passed man) Jackson, was born Januthe daughter of Elder Wallace Myrtle (Jackson) Fraley,

up County, Kentucky at South Shore, being 48 years, nine months and one day old at the time of death.

to this union were born eleven children, all living. Irvin Jr., Kentucky, Wallace Eugene, Curtis Harold of Columbus, Ohio, Lorraine Gay, George Hay and Richard Dwight of Hatfield, Virginia Doris, Norma Sue, Thomas Dewey, Katherine May, She was married to George Fraley, January 16. 1932 and



troit, Michigan. of Irvin, Ohio, Oscar of Belfry, Kentucky, and Elsie of D Virginia, Wallace Jr. and Patsy of Columbus, Ohio, Dav Gladys Thompson of Florida, Goldia Robinson of Nolan, We ley of Hatfield, Kentucky, Hazel Elkins of Cheshire, Ohi following brothers and sisters; Tommy Jackson and Inas Fr F. Deskins of Columbus, Ohio. Four grandchildren and t " TITLE HEE OF CHESHITE, CHIO, and a step-daughter, MIS.

obedient life in the Church until God called her home fro in Heaven for her reward for serving Him. this world and I truly believe that He gave her a peaceful hor bership with the Mary Elizabeth Church and lived a true a baptised the third Sunday in May, 1944, and took her mer Myrtle gave a reason of her hope in the Lord and w

ful servant in this great cause. and Deaconess of that Church from the date of my ordinatio which was the third Saturday in May 1946. She was a wonder Myrtle and Iserved the Mary Elizabeth Church as Deac

that I will meet her in Heaven when my life is finished her burden of sorrow and grief, but I do believe with all my hear Eternal King of Heaven, I could not have stood under m in this world without her. No one knows how sad and lonely it is for me to get alor Without the guiding hand of th

other, live in peace, forget the foolish things of this world ar that light will shine so bright that you can't keep from lookir look at the light that Mother hung in the window for you. I hop I want to say to Mother's orphan children, be good to eac

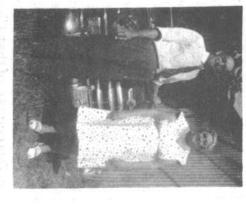
ren, remember that family, the greatest family on earth. regular Baptist family and was interested in no other. Child so great for over 18 years of her life. She loved the Ol Don't forget the old Church that Mother lived in and love

and for His sake, Amen. and may they all drink of that water and live forever in you cause them to think of their Eternal welfare and may they b such a true and clean life before Mothers children that it wi er to God. Great God of the Eternal Heaven, bless me to liv sweet Eternal Kingdom, is my earnest prayer in Jesus nam led by Your sweet Guiding Spirit to that fountain of living wate I want to close this obituary with this little humble pray

broken husband and brother in the Lord. - George Fraley. This obituary written by her sad, lonely, and hear

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Elder Jessie Evans Woods was born January 17, 1901. He died April 13. He was 62 years two months and twenty six days. old. He was the son of Jackson and Sarah Woods. He was married to Ida M. Charles Janurary 18, 1917. This union lasted until death called him away which was forty six years. To this union were born eight children, five boys and three girls. One son, James Williams preceded him in death,



dying in infancy, Earnest, Clyde and Jessie Jr. of Ocla, Florida, Floyd of Forest Hills, Kentucky. The daughters are Mrs. Luther Staten and Mrs. Edward Slater both of Williamson, West Virginia and Mrs. Merlin Robert of Ocala, Florida. He leaves thirteen grandchildren.

Brother Jessie joined the Old Baptist family about twelve years ago. I don't have the exact date he took his membership with the Salem Church, Goody, Kentucky. He went by letter to the Little Stone Church where he was ordained to the ministry by the Little Stone Church. I don't have the date of his ordination.

Brother Jessie moved to Ocala, Florida in the last few years of his life and brought his letter from the Little Stone Church to the Southern Home Church at Sparr, Florida.

I became aquainted with Brother Jessie after he came to Florida. He was elected clerk and assistant moderator to the Southern Home Church and also was appointed Church treasurer. He held these offices until death. Brother Jessie was regarded highly by the Southern Home Church and as I write I feel a great sadness, when I think of the wonderful meetings we were in together. He was very diligent in helping to take care of the Church and I feel he shouldered his share of the burdens of the Little Church, but our loss is brother Jessie's eternal gains. May the good Lord bless sister Woods to continue on in the good old way. I don't believe it will be long until you will see brother Jessie again where you will never have to part.

To brother Jessie's children, I would like to remind yo of the good council father gave you in his last days. If yo have not repented, repent and believe in the Lord Jesu Christ, for I believe if we will make our calling and election sure here, we will meet brother Jessie again.

May God bestow His richest blessings upon you is an prayer. - Written by Elder Tommy Adair.

BROTHER JAMES O. CLINE

With much sadness, I will try to write the obituary of a loved one who has gone on before, leaving us so lonely.

James Oliver Cline, born October 27, 1867, in Buchannon County, Virginia, died June 12, 1962. His stay on earth was 94 years, eight months, and fifteen days.

He was married to the former Hopie Walls, who survives. To this union were born eleven children, six sons and five daughters, of whom one s



five daughters, of whom one son and one daughter precede him in death. They were Sherman Cline and Mrs. Ona Ritchi Those surviving are Sampy, Walter, Emery, Silas, and Ulall of Baisden, West Virginia, Mrs. Ava Robinson of Fall Mill, Virginia, Mrs. Lizzie Lester, Mrs. Alsie Ritchie, ar Mrs. Bessie Cline, all of Baisden, West Virginia.

He became a member of the Rosa Church of the Old Regula Baptist about fifty years ago, remaining a faithful member until death. He attended church as long as his health would permit.

His home was always open to anyone who would come, pleased him so well for people to visit him. He was love and respected by all who knew him.

His heart was filled with love during his last hours (earth. He called us all around his bed side and told us the head to leave us. He hugged each and everyone of us ar told us good bye.

to see him on Heaven's Shore where parting is no more.

Written by his son and daughter-in-law, Walter and Nancy Cline.

Dear daddy, you have left us, To join the Angel band. Some sweet day we hope to join you, In that Holy Happy Land.

SISTER EDNA MAE SMITH

With much sadness I will try to write the obituary of my dearly loved sister, Edna Mae Smith. She was born March 11, 1924 and died May 30, 1963, making her stay on earth 39 years, two months and ninedays.

She was the daughter of James and Mary White and was married to Willie Smith. To this union were born five children. One preceded her in death. Surviving are Ralph and

Davidathome, Frankie Darrell, Williamson, West Virginia, and Janet Starr of California. She leaves five brothers, four sisters as follows; Daniel, Ollie, James, Frank, Johnie, Gracie, Otellia, Mary and Norma and a host of friends to mourn the loss.

She was a patient in Beckly Hospital for a number of years, She wrote mother a letter one night and said, "The Lordhas forgiven me of my sins and I'm sure happy." It was sometime before she got a visithome to join the church. She was baptised by the hand of Elder Willie White and placed her membership with the Rebecca Church of Regular Baptist. She wasn't able to attend very much. She would have church at her home when she came back on a visit. She enjoyed church very much.

We believe that she has a better home where there won't be sickness, pain or death.

The angels came and took her,
The angels God had sent.
They bore her into heaven,
She whispered as they went.
Darling mother I must leave you,
For I can no longer stay.
Oh, let not this parting grieve you,
For we will meet again some day!
Written by her sister, Norma Lackey.

BROTHER JEANUS BERLIN ANDERSON

It is with a sadheart that I write an obituary of my dear husband, Jeanus Berlin (J. B.) Anderson. He was the son of John and Sarah Justice Anderson. He was born May 2, 1907 at Fishtrap, Kentucky and deceased this life March 14, 1963, making his stay on earth 55 years, ten months and twelve days.

He was married to Lillie (Justice) Anderson on December 25, 1924 and to this union



were born two boys and one girl. The girl preceded him death. He is survived by his wife, Lillie Anderson of Ha field Bottom, West Virginia and two sons; Perry Anders of North Matewan, West Virginia and Curry Anderson Chicago, Illinois. He is also survived by two brothers; John Anderson of Huntington and Dow Anderson of Shelbyvil Michigan. There are four surviving sisters; Rosie Fitzwal of Wurtland, Kentucky, Flora Justice of Mc Carr, Kentucl Virgie Dunn of Fullerton, Kentucky and Maggie Pugh of Leington, Kentucky, He also leaves eight grandchildren and host of friends to mourn his loss.

He joined the Old Regular Baprist Church in the year 1933 and was ordained a minister in July 1949. He was a go and faithful member until God called him away. He follow

our Lord Jesus until the end. The life he lived here on earth proved he is a child of God. We all miss him so much. The days without him are long and lonely. We have lost a good husband and father, but our loss is heaven's gain. He will live on with us and be a sweet memory in our hearts always. So I say to my children, your Daddy is resting from all labor and pain in the paradise of God and by the grace of God, you can see your Daddy again.

A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.

Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast,
Thereby is over shaded,
And sweetly His soul shall rest.

Written by his wife, Lillie Anderson

LOOKING AHEAD

This old life is filled with sorrows,

Filled with heartaches, pains and fears,
Here we have our disappointments,
Cheeks are lined with bitter tears;

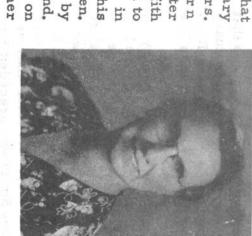
Longs to help us overcome,
Then when this short life is ended,
He will take us safely home.

Yes, our lives may be all gloomy,
Clouds may shadow every day,
But we'll understand it better
When the mists are rolled away.

When the Savior comes to take us
To that land of rest up there,
We'll forget the disappointments
Which were here so hard to bear.
- Marvin Lewis

SISTER MUSIE LOWE

August 21, 1963, making her Mother departed this life on one daughter and her husband. She was preceded in death by union were born six children. November of 1910 and to this Fountain B. Lowe, Jr. of Henry and Mary Griffith July 26, 1892. The daughter Musie Lowe. of my beloved mother, Mrs. I attempt to write an obituary Parson. It is with much sadness that She was married to She was born



stay on earth 71 years. She was a faithful member until he death and always gave good council to us children. We sha miss mother, but we feel that our loss is Haaven's gain, as I pray that all her children will meet her around Heaven throne.

Written by her daughter in hope of eternal life, Mrs. Jud Blackburn.

TRUST IN THE MASTER WEAVER

"When dark gray threads are woven
And seem so out of line,
Trust in the Master Weaver,
Who planned the whole design.

In all life's choicest patterns,

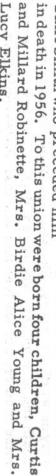
Dark threads are always there
To make the gay threads brighter,
The gold and rose more fair.

At times, it all seems intricate
And hard to understand,
But trust in the Master Weaver
And His steady, guiding hand."

October 17, 1962. inette, who deceased this life of my dear father, Roscoe Rob-I'll attempt to write an obituary It is with much sadness that

Hi and Florence Robinette. 1185 and was the son of the late Daddy was born January 25,

becca Robinette, and one died Dixie Smith who preceded him in infancy. He later married born two children, Mrs. Re-Francis and to this union were He was married to Charity



and Charley Chapman. the following step-children, Victor Canada, Rush, Tom B., ceded him in death, Tom and Basil Robinette. He also leaves Steve, Elbert, Bill, Okey, Grayson and Joe Robinette, Mrs. Wilda Muncy and Mrs. Minta Thacker. Two brothers pre-He leaves six brothers and two sisters to mourn his loss,

He was loved and is sadly missed by all who knew him. member until sickness prevented him from filling his seat. books of the Pilgrim Home Church where he was a faithful Bevins and Basil Robinette. His name was recorded on the 29th, 1946 and was baptised by the hands of Elders Jonah Daddy joined the Regular Baptist Church on September

follow it, we will have a better home also. brothers and sisters that he set us a fine example and if we gone to that better home he talked about. I want to say to my see Heaven. profess a hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, if we ever hope to He always gave us good counseland told us that we must I believe, with all my heart, that Daddy has

have a wonderful home I know, but we really miss you so. filled. But, I believe God has taken you as He willed. You'll Daddy, there's a vacancy in our home that can never be

Written by his son, Millard Robinette.

boy. She leaves to mourn her of Tom Morrison and Delila ma Lowe. She was born March my beloved grandmother, Emattempt to write the obituary of much sadness and loneliness I loss one daughter, Lassie were born three girls and one March 30, 1899. To this union 25, 1877. She was the daughter married to Roscoe Lowe Maynard Morrison. She was It is with deep sorrow and

She couldn't go much. stay here on earth 86 years, 11 months and 17 days. She w children. Mom deceased this life March 5, 1963, making l also has fourteen grand children and thirty one great gra some years ago, we don't know the exact date. She was a member of the Regular Baptist Church, had been for fi and one brother, Lawrence Morrison, also of Gulnore. Hanners of Gulnare, Kentucky, faithful member until she became disabled in her later year

She had an open house for anyone. She cooked and fixed peo something to eat when she was really not able to do so. ? was so sweet and liked by everyone God bless mother. She always liked to see people con

But I feel with all my heart, Now mom is gone, her advice I hear no more,

She is resting on that shore.

Written by a grand daughter, Emelie Smith Altho her chair is empty now, I miss her move each da But I hope some sweet day, we will meet her again.

SISTER DORA MAYNARD

27, 1962. She was 82 years, 3 months, and 26 days old. was united in marriage to Fields Maynard, who preceded! children. in death November 16, 1898 and to this union was born for Sister Dora Maynard was born July 3, 1880, died Octol Three sons and one daughter. The daughter p

and 10 great grandchildren. two brothers and three sisters. The brothers are Wynta and Ellis Maynard of Ashland, Kentucky. She is survived by Maynard, Citra, Florida, Epson Maynard, Hanon, Kentucky course and an acoust northwarth 178 12811 THE BOTTO BETTHEET Taylor, Gilmor, Kentucky. She also leaves 14 grandchildren tucky, Mrs. Vasti Taylor, Gilmor, Kentucky, Mrs. Della Fields, Olimpa, Washington, Ransom Fields, Henon, Ken-

of the little Church. was a source of joy to me when I saw her sitting in the corner lived a faithful christian life until death called her away. She in the Southern Home Church at Sparr, Florida where she ship with the Apple Orchard Church at Henon, Kentucky. She was baptised by Elder Ernie Runyon and took member-Then later she moved to Florida. She then placed her letter Sister Dora joined the Old Regular Baptist Church in 1934

her honor by Mrs. A. D. McCoy. we will meet her in heaven. This little poem was written in empty rocker reminded us all how faithful Aunt Dora had Sister Dora died, the old chair looks so lonesome. chair to church so she could sit more comfortably and after In her last days her son Elmer brought her a rocking I believe with all my heart if we will live true to Jesus,

Since God has called her spirit Home until the Judgement Day. The one that's made of clay,

We miss her frail body

We miss her in the corner

The place she occupied.

But now it is vacated Since Aunt Dora died.

In her mansion in bright glory Her soul has left this house of clay In her celestial mansion Now she has gone to Paradise She's gone to live with God, That will never fade away. Where life will never cease Her soul will rest in peace

Written by request of the family by Eld. Tommy Adair.

lon, whom he married Decemhis wife, Pearl (May) Dilbehind to grieve his parting, old and deceased this life Brother M. C. Kager Dillon. try to write an obituary of October 31, 1962, leaving Brother Kager was 71 years With much sadness I will

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and live for Jesus and meet Daddy in heaven some day when the family circle will not be broken. for daddy. I feel our loss is heaven't gain. Don't forge sang, I thought louder and clearer than anyone else. Brothe of the meeting he seemed to be filled with the spirit and I weak and couldn't talk enough to be understood. In the clos Kager bore his suffering with patience. was unable to go. I remember one night when he was ver the church to come into his home and hold services when I in my heart about brother Kager. He was a genuine goo ones, time and space would not permit me to write what I fe was confined to his home by his illness for about two year Christian man and he loved the work of the Lord. He wante was able. He suffered from a stroke and for several year Church and filled his seat in the church house as long as l Baptist and highly devoted to the interest and welfare of the Brother Kager was a member of the Samaria Church Reguli many many friends. I think he was loved by all who knew hin bus, Ohio. Also a host of brothers and sisters in Christ an 1, Kermit, West Virginia, and Mrs. Eliza Copley of Colun Dayton, Ohio and Kathy, Martha, Wallace all at home at rou Rubie Joe Mitchell of Muncy, Indiana, Miss Tilda Dillon Hensley and Julia Mae Lester, all of Dayton, Ohio. Mr Beckett of Dunlow, West Virginia, Mrs. Dora Marcum, Din Route 1, Kermit, West Virginia, Okey of Lenore, West Vi children; Herbert and Noah of ber 3, 1924. A brother, Jesginia, and Clem and Roy of Dayton, Ohio. Mrs. Brook Charmco and the following sister, Mrs. Julie Ratcliff of sie Dillon of Albany, Ohio, a West Virginia, Mrs. Cleo Chaffin, Mrs. Mary B I would like to say to his children and love Children, weep n

Written by your humble servant, Elder Jeff May.

and Sally Trout, was born at Stone, Kentucky, November 29, days. Her cheerful disposition endearedher to all who knew 11, 1963, making her stay here 71 years, 5 months and 12 1891 and deceased this life about 4:20 P. M. on Saturday, May Dister Dovie Smith, the daughter of the late Mose Trout

from our midst. Stanley, and remained a faithful member until death took her 1958 at the hands of Elders Henry C. Maynard and Willie Church of Old Regular Baptist, being baptised October 25, Sister Dovie beacme a member of the Narrows Branch

God in Heaven where all is peace, joy and happiness. when they will reunite with their bodies and live forever with doubt when Sister Dovie's sweet spirit went back to of seven months and twenty days at the time of his death. No paradise of God where they will rest until the Resurrection who gave it, her spirit joined Cecil's sweet little spirit in the One son, Cecil Smith, preceded his mother in death at the age this union were born six children, four sons and two daughters. She married Brother Dillard Smith May 10, 1907 and to

left to mourn her loss. children besides a great host of relatives and friends who are Stone, Kentucky; eighteen grandchildren and six great grandand Mrs. Hazel Justice of Huddy, Kentucky; one brother, Will Trout of Stone, Kentucky and one sister, Lillie Mae Trout of troit, Michigan, and Charles Smith of Ypsilanti, Michigan. Sidney L. Smith of Stone, Kentucky, Truman Smith of De-Two daughters, Mrs. Fannie Stanley of Canada, Kentucky, Survivors include her husband, Dillard Smith, three sons,

Dovie, but rather weep for yourselves and your children." you children, relatives and friends, "Do not weep for Sister sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. " So Brother Dillard, therefore a rest to the people of God. " "Them also which rest, for we hear the scriptures saying, "There remaineth and the Holy Angels. She has chosen that good part which can never be taken away from her. She has entered into her will not be ashamed to confess her name before His Father lived in this world she confessed the name of Christ and He But we feel that our loss is her eternal gain. While she

prayer in Jesus' Sweet, High and Holy name. Written by one she loved, Elder Harold Edmonds. May God richly bless and save every one of us is my

DYOTURY LEVY I CHINE

ren, two of whom have since union were born seven childpreceded him in death. To this He married Octavia Cline, who where he resided all his life. 1881 at Baisden, West Virginia the son of Anthony and Thursia ber 31, 1962. Brother Cline, departed from this world to go uary of Elder Perry Cline, who humility that I write the obit-Cline was born December 12, to his home in Glory on Octo-It is in sorrow and with deep



vives. wife, Elder Cline married Sister Julia Miller, who still sur gone to be with Jesus. Sometime after the death of his fir

his preaching. ly before he died, the infirmities of old age finally prevente gan preaching at the age of forty-one and continued preaching gladly and joyfully answered the call to the ministry. He be life dedicated to the services of Christ and the Church, I at Baisden. After enjoying the blessings and happiness of of his sins and that he was in the grace of the Father, Brothe and I'll be satisfied." Believing that God had forgiven his son. Forgive me and make me as one of Thy hired servant the accepted doctrines of the Old Regular Baptists until, shor Heaven and Thee, and I am no longer worthy to be called Th supplication may have been: "Father I have sinned again his humble plea to our heavenly Father for forgiveness. H of sincere repentance, he, like the prodigal son, cast his eye Perry joined the Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Chris toward heaven and in devout reverance and pious prayer made in need of the redeeming blood of Jesus. Through a feeling Early in life Brother Perry realized that he was a sinne

in the church and administered fair and just treatment (which he filled with distinction for many years. He kept orde preach, he became the moderator of the church, a positic everyone in the church. A few years after Elder Perry Cline accepted the call i

During his long life as a Christian and preacher, brothe

Perry thoroughly enjoyed providing food and shelter to the many hundreds of visitors, both Christians and sinners, to the church. His benevolence in caring for these people exemplifies his services to the church as a Christian and as a servant of God.

whence it came. to Paradise while his crippled body rem recovered. The Angel of death came silently to take his soul brother Perry remained in a deep coma from which he never ble brother feebly mummurred, "How sweet that song is! church. The evening that he was stricken by a second stroke to provide for the welfare and comfort of the visitors of the Blessed be the name of Jesus." During the next few days, I'll Be Ready On That Day When Jesus Comes, "our hum-After he heard the words to the last song; "I Want To Live So off, but he insisted on the singing of a few songs and a prayer. his wife and children thought that the meeting should be called ing to be held at his home. Because of his critical condition which was fatal, brother Perry had requested a prayer meetleg, but this infirmity did not lessen his desire to preach and crippling stroke which caused a lameness in his left arm and At the age of fifty-nine our Brother in Christ suffered a

If his children and friends want to be with him again in Glory, they must travel the same paths of righteousness that he did even though he may have patiently suffered from many tribulations, trials, sorrows, and pains. If they want to live eternally with Jesus, they must have the same staunch faith, the same cherished hopes, and the same undying love for God and His righteousness that our departed brother had. His was a life happily lived, a life worth living, as is the life of all Christians.

Written by Elder Ross Cline.

SISTER ANNA BEVINS MAYNARD

By the help of the good Lord I attempt with a sad and aching heart to write this obituary of my dear companion and mother. I trust God to direct my heart and mind.

Anna Bevins Maynard was born September 30, 1908 and deceased this life on December 26, 1962, making her stay on earth 54 years, two months and twenty six days.

She was married to the writer, John Maynard on Au-

gust 24, 1924, and lived a faithful wife. And to this uniwere born eleven children, three of them preceded her death. She leaves eight children and me to mourn her los She was the baby daughter of Elbert and Rutha Revin

She was the baby daughter of Elbert and Rutha Bevin Her children are: Alene Malone at home, Alice Stanley of David, Michigan, Rebecca Taylor of Meta, Kentucky, Sylv Ann Lynch of Gulnare, Kentucky; James Maynard of Ironto Ohio; Gene E. Maynard of Dayton, Ohio, Paul D. Maynard the United States Army of Fort Bliss, Texas; and Billy Long Maynard at home.

She leaves two sisters and two brothers; Mrs. Effie Blackburn of Forest Hills, Kentucky and Mrs. Elzy Blackburn of Meta, Kentucky, Willie Bevins of Belfry, Kentucky and From Bevins of Meta, Kentucky. She leaves ten grandchildren as many friends to mourn her passing.

She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church of Bent Brance September 19, 1937, and was baptised at the hands of Elder Jonah Bevins and Ester Hopkins. We were married by brother Jonah Bevins, and I believe she lived the life of a Sainte mother, and is with Jesus in Heaven today, awaiting there for her body, which we planted in the earth. When her body come up out of the earth, she will be in Heaven, both soul and bod as it pleases the good Lord, and I believe she will be satisfied.

Now children, it takes repentance in the Lord and Saviou

Jesus Christ, and if this takes place with you in this life, you can be with Mama again. Our baby girl has come to the Church at Bent Branch in Mama's life time, and it pleased her so

During her fourteen years of sickness, I begged God to let me live to take care of her as long as she lived, and now He has done that for me, and I don't know how long I will be here and my hope is to meet her when this life is over. I want to ask all who read this to pray for me and my children that we may meet again. I want to see her, but above all, I want to see the One who died for us all. So farewell until we meet again.

Oh, dear Mama, how we miss you, We all did love you so.
Jesus called you to Heaven,

We know you had to go.

But me and my children are so lonely, Since you went away.
All we can do is to watch and pray,
That we will meet you, Mama, some sweet day.

Written in hope of Eternal Life after this life is over, her husband, John Maynard and Children.

JAMES LEE BLACKBURN

James Lee Blackburn (Papa as we called him) was born April 10, 1887. He was the son of the late Winfield and Victoria Williamson Blackburn.

He departed this life January 29, 1963, making his stay on earth 75 years, 9 months, two weeks and five days.

He was married to Pearly Stanley Blackburn, who survives. In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children, Mrs. Grace Scott, Mrs. Charlene Varney and Mr. Gilford Blackburn. Three children preceded him in death. He is also survived by 13 grandchildren, five great grandchildren and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his absence.

Papa professed a hope in Jesus Christ and was baptised October 7, 1941 into the fellowship of the Bent Branch Regular Baptist Church, by the hands of Elders Jonah and Harrison Bevins. His life speaks for itself.

Written by his grand daughter, Mary Louise Vaughn,

SISTER ELIZA LESTER

With much sadness I will try to write an obituary of my dear sweet mother. She was born July 16, 1895 and deceased this life March 9, 1959, making her stay on earth 63 years eight months. She was the daughter of Willie and Dixie Lambert. She was married to Burgess Lester 40 years ago in the year of 1917.

To this union were born 16 children, there are five dead and eleven living. Eunice



Cline, Mary Cline, Martha Cline, Bill Cline, Burgoyne Leste and Donald Lester all of Baisden, West Virginia. Glady Rutledge and Floyd Lester of Gilbert, West Virginia. Bessi Cline of Justice, West Virginia. She has 39 grandchildre and several great grandchildren. She leaves two sisters and one brother. They are Blane Lambert of Iaeger, West Virginia, Rebecca Vance of St. Albans, Callie Davis of Nort Springs, West Virginia.

again. But I hope some day we all can meet her by and by and to the rest of my brothers and sisters, if you don't fa out with sin and come to the Lord, you will never see mothe beautiful city. There is one thing I want to say to my Dadd I've got good hopes I will see mother again over in tha her very much. I miss her in the church to take her sea mother, she was always good to us children. We all mis ping her hands and praising the Lord. I know I had a goo lot of little white doves flying over her head. She sung th called us children around her bedside and told us she saw or death or pain can be. Before God called her away sh I believe she has gone to rest with Jesus, where no sorro prettiest song, I Am Going Home With Jesus. She was clap loved everybody. Mother had to suffer so much in this life Mother always filled her seat when she was able to go. Mothe Mother joined the Regular Baptist Church 19 years ago

Written by her daughter and her daughter-inlaw, Mr: Eunice Cline and Mrs. Jenkie Lester.

I will attempt to write this obituary of Sister Nancy Maynard. She was born December 24, 1880 and deceased February 17, 1963, making her stay here on earth 82 years.

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She was married to Rell Maynard, deceased. To them were born Lark and Bud Maynard of Hennon, Kentucky. Sanford, John and Van Maynard of Turkey Creek, Kentucky. A daughter, Annie Reed, deceased Divis Clevenger and Dunnard of Division Clevenger and Dunnard of Dunn



ed. Dixie Clevenger and Ruppaw Maynard. Aunt Nancy felt that God forgave her of her sins, through His son Christ Jesus, In the year of 1958 she desired to answer the good conscience that had been made good by the blood of Christ in baptism. She was baptised by the hands of Elders Charlie Johnson and Edwin May. She placed her membership with the Apple Orchard Church, where we feel she remained a faithful member until her death.

Now may I say unto each of you, her children and loved ones, "believe in the Lord, as I feel through belief that you can repent of your sins and be saved. Looking for the coming of the Lord. When He shall come at the last day. Then we feel that we can meet Aunt Nancy with all the redeemed of the Lord and that forever be."

Written by your brother in hope, Edwin May.

SISTER CORA LESLIE

In loving memory I will try to write an obituary of my dear Mother, Cora Leslie, whom God called Home on January 15, 1963.

Mother was born April 9, 1885 and was the daughter of the late William S. Literal and Anna Davis Literal.

She was the wife of Ingram Leslie, and to this union were born four children, Kermit, Thurman, Elster Leslie, and Beth L. Bevins.

Mother joined the Regular Baptist Church August 21, 1960 and took membership with the Bent Branch Church. She was baptised by Elder Edwin May and Lloyd Sesco.

Mother was sick for a long time. She never got impatient but bore her pain and suffering in hope of a better home, and going to be with Dad, who went to be with God before her. Written by her daughter, Beth L. Bevins.

SISTER ZELLA MEADE PREECE

It is with much sadness and by the request of the family, that I write an obituary of Sister Zella Meade Preece. She was the daughter of Rhodes and Tennie Blackburn Meade. She departed this life November 5, 1961, making her stay or earth 54 years.

She was married to James H. Preece about 1962. To this union were born six sons; Ezera Fraley of Pilgrim, Kentucky Rhodes, Thomas, Bill, Stewart and George Preece all of Columbus, Ohio. Two daughters; Mrs. Tennie Fields and Orga Preece also of Ohio. One sister, Orga Dials of Warfield, Kentucky. All these and many friends and relatives are left to mourn her passing.

Sister Zella became a member of the Leannah Church around 20 years ago. She was a faithful member. She was in ill health about six months before she died. She would cal the brothers and sisters to come to her home to preach and sing and pray. She would lay in bed and rejoice and clasp her hands. So to her husband and children, mother has left you all a bright hope that she has made a happy exchange. So to all of you, think of what mother has told you while on earth, that you must die. Seek the Lord while He is near and cal upon Him while He may be found. What He had done for mother, He stands ready and waiting to do for all who will call upon Him.

I always think of Mother

No matter where I roam,

I always think of Mother,

Though she is gone I hope to meet her Some day around the great Throne.

Written by a Brother and Sister in the Spirit, Tom and Tennie Robinson.

It is with much sadness and grief in my heart that I will try to write this obituary of our dear sweet mother, Sister Esta Blackburn.

She was born September 13, 1880 to Jerry Gross and Rebecca Burnett Gross. She deceased this life January 1, 1963, making her stay here 82 years, 3 months, and 18 days. To this union were born seven children, one of whom preceded her indeath as did Dad. She

there is no repentance. ways and turn to the Lord while you have life, for after death cepted Him as your Saviour, I pray that you'll turn from your sisters and grandchildren that profess a hope in Jesus Christ, lived before us. Children, the ones of you that haven't aclet us pray on and strive to obtain that standard of faith she is at rest, enjoying the pleasures of Heaven. live, with her toils and suffering over, and I believe that she our great loss is Heaven's gain. Mommy has gone now to the most precious jewel a child ever possessed, but we feel Blessedare they that die in the Lord. We children have lost to go home to die. She was blessed to go home and said she she was so weak, she bore her suffering with much patience. fully took the sweet sleep and rest from her labor in this world. wanted to restand go to sleep. In a little while she so peace-Her life was a light of love to all that knew her. She wanted with a smile. Even her last few days in the hospital when my was the most patient mother, always bore her burdens She filled her seat whenever she was able to get there. Mommained a faithful member until the good Lord called for her. Jonah Bevins and Hayse Maynard on July 20, 1920. She re-Regular Baptist Church, being baptised by the hands of Elder and friends. Mommy became a member of the Bent Branch Brown, and Andrea Cochran, besides a greathost of relatives burn, four daughters, Gladys Brown, Beatrice Billiter, Easter leaves to mourn her loss two sons, Ted and Bernice Black-Get ready to live with Mommy and Brothers and

Dad where the family circle will be complete. The old hor place is so lonesome, we all miss her so much. Life for n is not the same since she has gone. Mommy, the good Lor has blessed me to be with you in sweet dreams and you were well and happy. I believe someday I can be with you and won't be just a dream. It will be real forever in that Glor World. May we all remember her good counseling she gaves us and follow in her footsteps, looking to Jesus to keep us through this troublesome world. I trust that God will bles us all and our children, to meet Mommy and Grandma again I have many a lonely heartache

And many a silent tear but
Always a beautiful memory of
My Mother, I loved so dear.
Written by her baby daughter, Mrs. Ernest Cochran.

JAMES MEADOWS

I will try to write the obituary of my sweet grandfather James Meadows, who was born June 1873, and departed thi life December 23, 1963, making his stay here on earth 8 years, six months, and one day.

He was married to the late Sarah Jane Jorden. To thi union were born tenchildren, eight still living, Carlos, Bob Rosco, Nona, Georgie, Marie, Pearl and Rose. Forty-si grandchildren, sixty-four great grandchildren, and fiv great, great grandchildren, one brother and three sisters t mourn his loss.

We don't feel we should weep for him. We feel within our hearts, that when grandpaw passed away, his cares were over. That when God comes to get His Church, I believ grandpaw will be in that number.

He joined the Regular Baptist Church some years ago Was baptised by Elder William Riffe. He was a faithful mem ber, always filling his seat when able, at all the meetings I have seen him shout and praise the Lord so many times. He loved the old song, "I'm Going To That City Where The Light Are Hanging High." I believe he has gone to that City. I wan to say to his children and grandchildren and friends who are out in sin, if we ever want to meet grandpaw again, we will have to repent and live for the Lord, and let our light shine

Grandpaw is gone
His voice I hear no more
I feel within my heart
He's resting on that shore
His chair is empty now
We miss him so

But we hope to meet him some sweet day. Written by one who loved him dearly, his grand daughter, Rose Onalee Meadows.

ELMER CLAY BEVINS

Elmer Clay Bevins, the son of James and Elsie Bevins, was born January 11, 1904 at Meta, Kentucky and deceased this life on Saturday, July 6, 1963 at 8:30 P. M. at the Williamson Memorial Hospital, making his stay in life 59 years, 5 months and 25 days.

He was married to Mary Annie Bevins, and to this union were born three children. William Clay Bevins, Betty Harlene Heluey and Thomas Preston Bevins.

Daddy became a member of the Bent Branch Old Regular Baptist Church on May 19th, 1962, being baptised by Elders Harrison Bevins and Lloyd Sesco.

Daddy was aflicted several months and he suffered much pain and agony during his illness, but he never complained. For him there will be no more suffering and no more pain, but for us there will be loneliness and aching hearts for years to come.

Written by his daughter, Harlene Heluey.

SISTER PRICIE SMITH COLLINS

Sister Pricie Smith Collins, the daughter of the late John Pocket and Victoria Smith, was born December 28, 1880 and deceased this life about 11:25 A. M. on Sunday April 28, 1963 making her stayhere 82 years and 4 months. She was much loved by her relatives and friends because of her good disposition and friendly smile for everyone.

She was married to Brother Frank Collins and to this

union were born six children, one son and five daughters. Her husband, and two daughters, Effie Collins and Betty Collins Chapman, preceded her in death. Effie died while inher infancy and Brother Frank and Sister Betty were both members of the Old Mount Pleasant Church of Regular Baptist.

Sister Pricie, as we loved to call her, became a member of the Mount Pleasant Church, being baptised the second Sunday in June 1931 at the hands of Elders Jonah Bevins and John H. Brown, and remained a faithful member until death took her from our midst.

Survivors include one son, Leonard Collins; three daughters, Mrs. Alta Smith, Mrs. Mary Baldwin and Mrs. Vicie Blackburn, all of Canada, Kentucky; one brother, Roland Smith of Canada, Kentucky; one sister, Mrs. Celia Varney of Belfry, Kentucky; 49 grandchildren and 64 great grandchildren besides a great host of relatives and friends who are left to mourn her loss.

But we feel that our loss is her eternal gain. For we believe that she, like Mary of old, "chose that good part which
can never be taken away from her." She seemed to have
Christ, the hope of Glory formed within her soul. He was her
anchor, therefore she was unmovable, always abounding in the
works of the Lord. We have traveled with her and brother
Frank to Church in many different places while they were both
living. They seemed to enjoy the services and the trips to
and from the Churches to the fullest extent. I feel sure that
Sister Pricie would want me to tellher children, grandchildren, relatives and friends, "Not to weep for her, but rather
to weep for yourselves and your children."

Yes, Mother stayed with you as long as she could, but now she is gone. May Christ fill that vacancy in your hearts with His love and comfort you with the sweet assurance that Heaver is real and that if you ever see your Mother again you will have to meet her in Heaven where Brother Frank, Effie and Betty and all of you who make your peace, call and election sure with God, can live with her and with Christ for ever and ever.

May God richly bless and save every one of us, is my prayer in Jesus' sweet and Holy name.

Written by one she loved,

Elder Harold Edmonds.

It is with great sorrow that I write the obituary of my father, Goodman James Maynard. Daddy was born April 3, 1898 and deceased August 13, 1962. He was the son of the late Cane and Easter Maynard. Daddy leaves his wife, Georgia (Meadows) Maynard. They were united in marriage April 12, 1921, and from this union were born four teen children, four of which preceded him in death. Those



living are six daughters, Mrs. Rosa Sargent, Mrs. Oca Mc Cowen, Mrs. Clara Workman, Mrs. Brookie Grillett, Nona and Linda Maynard, four sons, James, Everette, Thomas and Dewey Maynard. There are also sixteen grandchildren. Daddy was a member of the regular baptist church for thirty years and a deacon in the church.

Dear Daddy, how much we miss you, God only knows how much He called you home to heaven To grace around His throne And with God's help, dear daddy, We'll meet you there someday.

Written by a daughter, Brookie Grillett.

VICY STANLEY MAYNARD

Vicy Stanley Maynard, born January 15, 1885, departed this life April 17, 1963, at the age of 78 years, 3 months and 2 days. She was born in Pike County, the daughter of the late Richard and Margaret Maynard Stanley; and spent her entire

with her life's joys and sorrows for 55 years, preceded he in death less than 4 years ago. She leaves to mourn her passing four sons, Wade, John, Ellis and Kermit Maynard; three daughters, Mrs. Pearlie Smith, Mrs. Linnie McCoy and Mrs. Anna Margaret Stephens; two brothers, Mont Stanley and 38 great grandchildren.

Mother Maynard was blessed to live a long and useful life. She was a devoted mother and a member of the Regular Bartist Church. Now a seat in that Church has been made vacation Godhas called His child to her reward. If it were pessible for her to call back a message to the many friends and love ones she, leaves behind, no doubt it would be:

Oh, the rapture of that meeting, When that work is all completed, Do it now, while life remaineth --Try to look beyond earth's shadows, And He came himself to meet me Then you must not grieve so sorely, And with Jesus' arm to lean on I am now at peace forever, There is work still waiting for you, All the pain and grief is over, I am home in heaven, dear ones; There is perfect joy and beauty He will gently call you Home; Oh, the joy to see you come! So you must not idly stand: Pray to trust our Father's will. You shall rest in Jesus' land. For I love you dearly still; Could I have one doubt or dread? In that way so hard to tread; Safely home in Heaven at last. In this everlasting light. Every restless tossing passed; Oh, so happy and so bright! -- Prepared by the Family

must close. Written by Julius Burgett. you have lost a good mother and I believe our loss is Heaven's ed about six years. The Churchlost a good member. Misey, the church as long as she was able to attend. She was afflicther death, she was a faithful member and filled her seat in the Regular Baptist Church of Turkey Creek in the year of ley of South Williamson. Sister Brown became a member of is also survived by two grandchildren and a brother, Joe Stanborn one daughter, Mrs. Mack Runyon of Turkey Creek. She her stay here on earth 75 years, one month and seventeen born December 20, 1887, deceased February 7, 1963, making daughter of the late John and Nancy Justice Stanley. She was write an obituary of Sister Haley Stanley Brown. She was the 1938. She has belonged to this church about 24 years. At By request and by the help of the good Lord, I will try to She was married to Leroy Brown. We will meet her if we live and do the Lord's will, I To this union was

SISTER ANNA CALL COMPTON

It is with sadness in my heart that I shall try to write the obituary of my dearly beloved Mother, Anna Call Compton.

She was born April 26, 1887, at Yeager, Kentucky, the daughter of William and Margaret Smith Call. God called her home on April 12, 1963. She was married to the late Charles Compton on July 6, 1904. To this union were born six children, four of who m preceded her in death.

Survivors include one son, William Perry Compton, of Lexington, Kentucky, one daughter, Mrs. Charles C. (Lillian Nutter, with whom she made her home, on the Williamson Road, a foster daughter, Mrs. June Compton Hurst, Barrett, West Virginia, two grandsons, William Perry Jr. and Charles Patric Compton, both of Lexington, Kentucky. Other survivors include two brothers, A. B. Call and W. B. Call, Sr., both of Pikeville, Kentucky and one sister, Mrs.



Lizzie Syck of Chloe Road, Pikeville, Kentucky. A countless number of friends and relatives will miss her cheer;

Mother gave her hand to the church and her heart to Jesus accepting Him as her own personal Saviour, on the fourth Sunday in November, 1914 and was baptised on the fourth Sunday in December 1914 in the waters of Little Creek by Elder N. T. Hopkins. She placed her membership with the Little Creek Regular Baptist Church and was a life long member. It was inconvenient for Mother, these past few years to attend her home church regularly, but she attended church regularly at the Bent Branch Regular Baptist Church, near her home, as long as her health permitted her to go. Her faith in God never wavered. She looked forward to going Home.

No daughter ever loved her mother more than I loved mine, and Charles loved her as his own mother. Only God knows how much we miss her. But as Job; "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh, blessed be the name of the Lord." We are thankful to God for love, patience and the strength to care for her during the time of her illness, thankful for the grace and courage to face the days without her and for the belief that we have in our hearts that we will meet mother again some sweet day in the lovely land of Endless Day.

As for now, we will say as the poet has written:
I cannot say and I will not say

That she is dead. She is just away!
With a cheery smile and wave of the hand,
She has wandered into an unknown land.

And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be since she lingers there.
And you, oh you, who the wildest yearns
For the old time step and the glad return.

Think of her faring on, as dear
In the love of There as the love of Here
Think of her still as the same, I say
She is not dead, She is just away.

Written in love by her daughter and son-in-law, Lillian and Charles Nutter.

Dave Thompson, was born at Ironton, Ohio, April 21, 1893 and died November 20, 1958 at Man, West Virginia. Making his stay on earth 64 years and 7 months. He moved from Ironton, Ohio to Baisden, West Virginia when he was about 12 years old. He remained at Baisden the rest of his life. He was a retired coal miner. He was married to Lydia (Blankenship) Thompson on November 10, 1916. To this union



were born six sons, Clarence and Danny Thompson at home, Ray, Leroy, Emerson, and Benny Thompson of Baisden and three daughters, Mrs. Vernie Glandon, Myrtle Thompson and Edra Rose Thompson all of Baisden, and sixteen grandchild-ren.

He joined the Rosa Regular Baptist Church at Baisden on December 25, 1951 and lived a faithful life until death. He is missed by his family, the Rosa Church, and many friends. He liked to go to church. We feel that our loss is his eternal gain. We want to say to the children that are out of Christ, if you want to see Daddy again, you will have to get ready before death, for as death finds us, so will the judgement.

Written by his son, Clarence Thompson and a brother in hope, Howard Sammons.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we the OLD REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST, being baptized upon a profession of faith in Christare convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches in order to perpeturate a union and communionamong us and keep the order and rules of an Association according to the following plan of government.

- 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.
- 2. In the letters shall be expressed their number in fellowship those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, and deceased since our last Association.
- 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's heritage not 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.
- 4. The Association, when convened, shall be ruled by a regular and proper decorum.
- 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk chosen by the members present.
- 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.
- 7. Every query presented by the church to the Association, being first debated in their own churches, shall be taken up by the Association.
- 8. Every motion made and seconded, shall come under the consideration of the Association except when withdrawn by the one who made it.
- 9. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the church with Minutes of the Association.
- 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 send it by their delegates to the Association, and such sums to 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.

- 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.
- 12. The Minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises unless the same is dispensed with.
- 13. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made by a majority of the Union, if deemed necessary.
- 14. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by will of a majority of the delegates present
- a seat with us. The Association shall have the right ligion; to admit any orderly minister of our order to may think most convenient to the churches. to adjourn themselves to any future time or place they ciation, or diviate from the orthodox principles of rethe Union, which shall violate the rules of the Assothey shall have power to withdraw from any church in transact any business which they see necessary, and proper; to appoint any member, by their consent to the Association fund, to any purpose they may think appropriate the money contributed by the churches for present themselves at any time in the Association, to to inquire into the cause of the churches failing to rechurches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; a chain of communion among the churches; to give general union of the churches, to preserve inviolable The Association shall have the power for the

ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE SARDIS ASSOCIATION

- 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.
- 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the written words of God and the only rules of faith and practices.

- We believe in the doctrine of election by grace, for by grace are ye saved through faith.
- 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.
- 5. We believe that sinners are called to repentance and believe in the Gospel and regeneration of the soul and sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, and none such shall fall away and be lost.
- We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of JESUS CHRIST.
- 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.
- 8. We believe that the Lord's Supper is the command of the Saviour and that by the use of bread and wine, and feet-washing should be kept up until his second coming by His believers.
- 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.
- 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.
- ll. 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.
- 12. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge people in their sins or cause them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation is erroneous and such doctrine will be rejected by us.
- 13. We believe that the Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another and have given themselves to the Lord and have agreed

to keep up a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the Gospel.

- 14. We believe that Jesus Christis the head of the church and the government thereof is upon His shoulders.
- 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

- The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
- A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
- 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.
- 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone except the Moderator until he is through.
- 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.
- 6. No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association.
- 7. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association and only five minutes at a time.
- 8. No person shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same nor whisper in time of public speech.
- 9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term of appelation than that of "Brother".
- 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt of prohibit any member from speaking until he gives his light on any subject unless he violates the rules of the decorum.

Otis Hall

S. B. Fraley John Fouch

Carlos Gibson

Cecil Evans

George Elkins

B. H. Bevins
Leslie Blair
Claude Brown
Clyde Brown
Grover Carey
Emmett Case
Earl Clay
Floyd Cline
Floyd Cline
Fohnny Cline
Ross Cline
Ernest Cochran
Granvel Combs
Ellis Davis
Willis Dials

Mont Ellis

Charlie Evans

- 11. Ine names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
- 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.
- 13. Any member who shall willing and knowingly violate any of the decorum shall be reproved by the Association as they think proper.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

ADDRESS

NAMES

Johnny Adair

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