

## The Stanly Baptist.

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### CHURCH DIRECTORY.

#### West Albemarle.

Preaching First and Fourth Sundays at 11 a. m., and every Sunday night. Sunday school at 10 a. m., W. J. Russell, Supt.

#### Big Lick.

Preaching on Second Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 10 a. m., M. F. Huneycutt, Supt.

#### Pleasant Grove.

Preaching on Second Sunday evening at 2:30. Sunday school at 10 a. m., A. E. Eddy, Supt.

#### Silver Springs.

Preaching Third Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., I. C. Russell, Supt.

#### Cottonville.

Preaching on Third Sunday at 1:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., E. D. Thompson, Supt.

#### Canton.

Preaching Fourth Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., A. F. Morton, Supt.

#### Union Grove.

Preaching on First Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., J. H. Howard, Supt.

#### Norwood Baptist Church.

Services every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m., and at night. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday night.—E. M. Brooks, pastor; Robert A. Kendall, S. S. Supt.

#### New London Baptist Church.

Preaching every fourth Sunday at 11 a. m., and Saturday before. Sunday school at 10 a. m.—J. E. Crook, Supt.

If anyone is sick or in distress, notify your pastor; he is always willing to help.

We note that Charlotte has been trying to have a dance for the benefit of an orphanage. This dance was to have been held at the end of one of the car lines. What will church people do next? The very idea of raising money for an orphanage in any such a way. But, after all, I'd about as soon raise it that way as to have ice cream suppers and things like that. None of it is any good. When you have to get into a man's pocketbook by way of his stomach, you lose the spirit of giving, and you do not deal squarely with the man either.

H. E. VAUGHN, A. B., M. D.  
Physician and Surgeon.

BIG LICK, N. C.

Calls answered from C. J. Black's residence.

Baptists what are you going to do with your children? Are you going to educate them or let them grow up in ignorance? Now is your time to decide about this matter. You are able to school them, why not give them a chance in life? God holds you responsible. We are advertising some of our very best schools this month. Write and get catalogs from these. You cannot do your duty to your child by keeping it away from school. Why not write to these and send to one of them?

#### West Albemarle Philathea Class.

The class was well represented at their regular business meeting on Tuesday night, June 16, at the home of Mrs. R. D. Thompson. We were glad to see the girls interested in their class. We have a large class of noble young women. We trust their lives may mean much to our Master's cause. Mr. Thompson gave us a wonderful message and some good advice which was enjoyed by all present. We always enjoy the presence of our dear brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, for they are two faithful consecrated Christians. Their lives are a blessing to us and we are determined to live a better life and want the prayers of all the Christian people.

The following teachers and officers for the class were elected:

Teacher—W. A. Greene.  
Assistant Teacher—Victoria Her-  
rin.  
President—Cora Parker.  
Vice Pres.—Pearl Waller.  
Sec.—Ada Smith.  
Asst. Sec.—Pallie Kimrey.  
Treas.—Mollie Goodman.  
Relief Com.—Jettie Carter, Gertie Whitley, Fannie Nash, Carrie Smith, Alice Caudle.  
Hustling Com.—Ada Hinson, Lela Chandler, Ethel Morton, Clita Russell.  
Social Co.—Mollie Blalock, Jennie Herrin, Bernice Lowder.  
Welcome Com.—Mada Russell Mollie Blalock.  
Reporter—Pallie Kimrey.

CORA PARKER.

#### OBITUARY.

Brother George P. Austin, a loyal member of Howell's Baptist church, fell asleep in Jesus, June 1 at 1 o'clock a. m. He was seventy-nine years, seven months and eleven days old. He first joined the church at Meadow Branch near Wingate High School. He has been a member of the church for fifty-eight years and had the good old-time religion. He was strong in the faith that was once delivered to the saints.

In his last hours on earth he said God was with him. The burial services were conducted at the church by the Pastor, Scripture, Job 5:26. "Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age like a shock of corn cometh in his season."

After services the body was laid to rest in the cemetery to await the resurrection morning. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to his widow and family of children and grand children who are left behind. May God help us all to be watching and waiting to go home like the worthy brother mentioned above. Of the many friends who were at his burial Brother R. Pope was there who led the prayer and also made a talk. He and Brother Austin were in the army together in the late war and were close friends. May God help us all to be faithful like those good old soldiers of Jesus Christ.—J. S. Harris, Big Lick, N. C.

#### Letter From Chas. A. Leonard,

Laichowfu, China,  
Shantung Province,

May 12, 1914.

The Chinese Association of our North China Mission convened with our Laichowfu church last week, opening on Wednesday and closing on Sunday night. At the first meeting there were reported present 70 delegates from 23 churches, some coming from Manchuria, some from the far western part of this province. Nearly every church in the Association was represented. There were a number of visitors present, and by Sunday the total enrollment of delegates numbered 95, representing 38 of the 41 churches in the Association.

The Laichowfu church took great pleasure in entertaining this host of faithful witnesses of the cross, but the church house was not large enough to accommodate all in attendance. The guests ate together under a tent in the church yard. It was good to note the fellowship among them. The joy peculiar to Christians at work was evident. Noticeable was the difference between the heathen in attendance, who have no hope or purpose except to "get over the days," and the Christians whose very countenance showed happiness and peace of heart.

This has been a year of wonderful progress and remarkable growth in the Association. There were 1,800 baptisms and 12 new churches organized. There are now 41 churches in all with a total membership of 7,504. The hope and prayer for this year is that God will give us 5,000 baptisms and 40 new churches. Will you not join us in prayer that this will be realized?

Much of the work done by the Association is by the Chinese Mission Board of the Association. For instance, the Association supports and directs 16 evangelists through this Board, an increase of eight over the previous year, has five colporteurs and directs seven day schools. Its work is at neglected places in Shantung Province and Manchuria, work being conducted at 12 different places. Of the 12 new churches organized the past year four were at points worked by the Mission Board of the Association, and 250 of the baptisms reported were at these points. Of course, the missionaries lend their support wherever needed, but the bulk of the work of this Board is borne by the Chinese themselves. So one can see they are making advancement in assuming new responsibilities both in organized work and financial support.

There is a great desire to extend the work in such localities as are now worked by the Mission Board of the Association. At our last mission meeting the Foreign Mission Board was asked to duplicate each dollar contributed by the Association for this extensive work, but so far the Board has not seen its way clear to do so on account of indebtedness. At this meeting of the Association this matter was taken up. The present condition of the Board was reported to the brethren. It was decided, however, to continue the proposition and was urged that the churches do their best in contributions, hoping at the same time that the Lord will make it possible for the Board to grant this request. Five hundred dollars in gold was subscribed by the churches. This matter was made a special object of prayer and when it was requested that one or more lead in prayer the whole body broke forth in audible prayer, a plea to God to bless the people at home, help the Foreign Mission

Board, and make possible more extensive work in the bounds of our Mission.

The speeches and transaction of business by the Chinese were of a high order. The spirit of the meetings was excellent. Reports from all localities and regarding all phases of work were encouraging. Many remarked that it was the best meeting held by the Association. A good number of women delegates were in attendance. Complete organization of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Association was affected by the adoption of a permanent constitution. Meetings of the Union were held every day.

The climax of the Association was on Sunday afternoon, when two new pastors were ordained. They were Mr. Wang Wen Wei, of the Liu Lin church, 50 miles distant, and Mr. Wang Hung Hai, of the Tsinling church, 250 miles west of here. They were ordained at the Association at the request of their churches because of distance to the churches. Mr. Wang Wen Wei has been a Christian twelve years. He was one of the first baptized in his section, and bore much persecution. He is an humble, unassuming man, but of fine judgment. Mr. Wang Hung Hai has been a Christian eighteen years and has been preaching five years. Witness was borne to his zeal in preaching. He is a young man of conviction and Christian fortitude.

These two young men were examined Sunday morning, and the ordination took place in the afternoon. Their answers were clear and all were well-pleased with their understanding of the Scriptures.

The ordination prayer was by Rev. Li of Pingtu. As he prayed the Holy Spirit came upon the whole audience and it was truly a soul-stirring service. Many strong men wept for joy, not unmingled with a feeling of their unworthiness. Then the entire congregation began praying. There was first prayer for the two new pastors and for all present who preach the Word, then prayer that God call more men to become pastors. This was followed by earnest prayers that the spirit of revival which has been present in some of our churches visit every church in the Association. It was a time of rejoicing, searching of the heart, and receiving inspiration to do more of the Lord. The men and women went back to their fields greatly blessed and with renewed zeal.

The army of Christ is thus moving on here in China; the cross and power of our Lord must surely conquer. We only ask that each Christian in the homeland lay by in store each week as God has prospered him and thus enable the Foreign Mission Board to give us adequate means and more men with which to carry on the battle here. Truly it is a conflict in which we must have both your prayers and financial support.

Faithfully yours,  
CHAS. A. LEONARD.

Laichowfu, North China,  
May 11, 1914.

#### Brother Harris's Announcements of Meetings.

Smyrna the first Sunday in August. E. M. Brooks to aid the pastor.  
Miami the second Sunday in August. C. E. Edwards to aid.  
Rocky Mount the third Sunday, Howell's, the fourth, and Charlotte the fifth Sunday, Rev. H. G. Bryant aiding in the three last mentioned.