

Early Minutes of the Russell's Creek Association of Baptists

“As stated in the history of the old Green River Association, this body and that of Stocktons Valley were set off from the mother organization, at its annual meeting, in July 1804. Eleven churches, aggregating 457 members, fell to the fraternity now to be treated....The names of the churches, with their localities, as the counties now stand, were: Brush Creek, Mount Gilead and Meadow Creek, in Green county; Goodhope and Pittmans Creek in Taylor; Trammells Creek, in Metcalf, Zion in Adair; South fork of Nolin and Otter Creek, in LaRue; Liberty, in Marion, and Lynn-Camp in Hart.” From A History of Kentucky Baptists From 1769 to 1885, Including More Than 800 Biographical Sketches, J. H. Spencer, Manuscript Revised and Corrected by Mrs. Burilla B. Spencer, In Two Volumes, 1886, Vol. 2, p. 192.

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Saturday, September 8, 1804. Met at Pitman's Creek Meetinghouse in Green County.

At 12 o'clock elder Summars, delivered the introductory sermon. Zach. 4:7. Letters from nine churches were read, their messengers names enrolled, and a list of their numbers taken.

[Ordained ministers names are supposed to be shown in small capitals; licensed preachers italics; absent members are distinguished by *; and those since ordained since by +. No small caps are shown on the “Notes” and the printer's notes do not indicate whether the underline denotes small caps or italics in this instance.]

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>	<u>No.</u>
Meadow creek	John Brunts, John Lemmond, Thomas Moore	39
Brush creek	William Matthews, Peter Grayham, Johnston Grayham*	75
Mount Gilead	Elijah Summars, Daniel Trabue, Stephen Trabue, Charles Creel	89
Good Hope	Joshua Short, Ambrose Hunt, William Rivers	20
Sion N.H.	Robert Rowland, Armisted Redding, George Barger	31
Tramel's creek	Thomas Skaggs, Jonathan Latham, Benjamin Bayliss	34
South F. Nolin	Jonathan Paddock,* John Brunk, Joseph Kirkpatrick	36
Liberty	James Skaggs, <u>Stephen Skaggs</u> , Moses Skaggs	33
Lin Camp	Thomas Whitman, William Dodson	14
Pitman's creek	Baldwin Clifton, Jonathan Cowherd, John Chandler, + Stephen Hardin	66
Otter creek	No account	<u>20</u>
	(+ since ordained)	Total 457

Elijah Summars chosen moderator, and John Chandler, clerk.

Saturday, September 14, 1805 and following days. Met at Brush Creek Meetinghouse in Green County.

At 12 o'clock Elder Baldwin Clifton delivered the Introductory Sermon from Acts 15:25-26.

Elijah Summars chosen Moderator, and John Chandler, Clerk.

<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>	B	R	D	E	R	D	T
		a	e	i	x	e	e	o
		p	c	s.	c	s	a	t
		t	d.		l	t	d	a
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		e	y		e	e		
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Meadow Crk	Thomas Moore, John Southern, Rich. Walker, John Lemmond	0	2	1	3	0	0	38
Brush Creek	Wm. Matthews, Ewd. Lewis, James Goldsby, Christ. Brunk	0	3	7	6	0	0	43
Mount Gilead	Elj. Summars, Is. Hodgen, Sn. Trabue, <u>H. Hatchor</u> , C. Creel	3	7	4	5	0	3	87
Good Hope	Ambrose Hunt, Joshua Short, John Compton	0	3	0	0	0	0	23
Sion	Jn. White, <u>Herb.G. Waggoner</u> , G. Foster, Armsted Redding	2	8	3	0	0	0	39
Trammell's Ck	Thom. Skaggs, John Smith, <u>Jacob Gum</u>	12	5	0	1	0	0	48
Nolin	John Brunk, Joseph Kirkpatrick, George Pierce	1	8	8	2	0	1	33
Liberty	Nathaniel Kerr, William Pierce, Moses Etherton	0	11	0	1	0	0	43
Linn Camp	Thomas Whitman, William Dodson, Henry Dills	0	4	2	0	0	0	14
Pitman's Crk	Bald. Clifton, Jona. Cowherd, Ste. Harding, John Chandler	1	3	2	2	0	1	64
Otter Creek	Charles Howell, Wm. Saltman	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16</u>
	Total	19	53	27	20	0	5	446

September 20, 1806. Met at Meadow Creek in Green County.

“At 12 o’clock brother Thomas Skaggs delivered the introductory sermon from Rev. 14:6.... Messengers from corresponding associations, Viz. Robert Stockton and Cornelius Dewees from Green River, Philip Mulkey and Lewis Ellison from Stockton’s valley, Owen Owens from South district, James Renfro from Tates creek, gave their letters and took their seats...

Appointed brethren White, Clifton, Hiter, Summars, and Chandler, a committee to arrange the business of the association.

Appointed brethren Waggoner, Buchanan, and Hodgen to write to the several corresponding associations.... Appointed brother Cowherd to collect the churches’ bounty for printing...”

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<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>					
Meadow Creek	William Hiter, Thomas Moore, John Southern	2	4	1	2	42
Brush Creek	Wm. Matthews, Edward Lewis, James Goldsby, Peter Grayham	3			4	42
Mount Gilead	Elijah Summars, Isaac Hodgen, Daniel Trabue, Stephen Trabue, Edmund Willis	2	7	7	7	81
Good Hope	Ambrose Hunt, John Compton		2			25
Sion	John White, Herbert G.Waggoner, Nathan Hurt, William Conover		10	10		41
Trammel’s Crk	Tho. Skaggs, <u>Jacob Gunn</u> , Benj. Bayliss	6	3	4	3	44
S.F. Nolin	Shadrack Duncan, James Robinson		1		3	28
Liberty	Nathaniel Kerr	6	2		4	40
Linn Camp	Tho. Whitman, Johnson Grayimm, Henry Dills	1		2	1	11
Pitman’s Creek	Baldwin Clifton, John Chandler, Jonathan Cowherd, Stephen Harding, Abr. Harding		1		2	63
Otter Creek	<u>No account.</u>					16
Hopewell	Alex.Buchanan, Geo. Barger, Jos.Buchanan					14
	Total	19	30	24	26	3 447

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September 19-21, 1807. Met at Mount Gilead Meetinghouse in Green County.

Saturday, Sept. 19. At 12 o'clock, Elder Baldwin Clifton delivered the introductory sermon, from John 10:35....Baldwin Clifton chosen moderator, and John Chandler clerk.

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<u>Churches</u>	<u>Messengers</u>							
Meadow Creek	William Hiter, Thomas Moore, John Southern, Travis Moore	2		1	3		1	39
Brush Creek	Wm. Matthews, Edward Lewis, James Goldsby, Peter Grayham		2	2	2	1	1	39
Mount Gilead	Isaac Hodgen, Daniel Trabue, Charles Creel, Henry Hatcher		5					88
Good Hope	Joshua Short, William Ratcliff, Simeon Hunt		1				1	23
Trammel's Crk	Tho. Skaggs, John Smith, <u>Jacob Gum</u> , John Slinker		1					45
Sion	John White, <u>Herbert G. Waggoner</u> , William Conover, Francis Montgomery		2					43
Liberty	Stephen Skaggs, <u>James Skaggs</u> , Wm. Skaggs, Nathaniel Kerr	1	1		5	1		35
Linn Camp	Thomas Whitman, Johnston Grayham	1	4	1				14
Pitman's Creek	Baldwin Clifton, John Chandler, Stephen Hardin, Jonathan Cowherd,	1	1	2	7			56
Nolin	No intelligence. Number last year.							16
Otter Creek	ditto Former number							-
Hopewell	Alex. Buchanan, Morgan Morgan, William Roberts, Joseph Buchanan		5					19
Sand Lick	John Compton, William Philpot							8
	Total	5	21	7	17	2	3	453