

Minutes of the Seventeenth Annual Session
of the

***Solid Rock Association
of
Old Time Baptists
of
Jesus Christ***



Held at the
Pilgrims Prayer
Old Regular Baptist Church
Dorton, Kentucky
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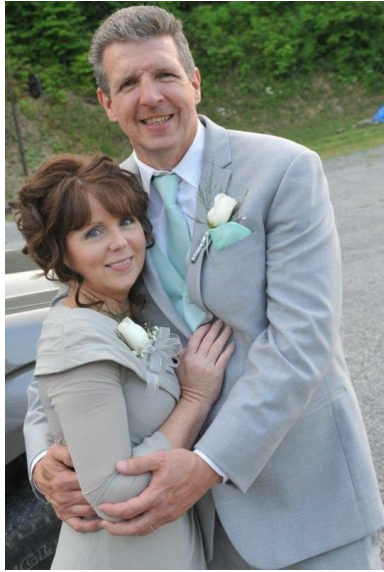
Charter

We, the Crossroads Community Baptist Church, Garrett Regular Baptist Church, House of David Church of Old Regular Baptist, and Pilgrims Prayer Church of Old Regular Baptist, come together with the following Resolution:

We resolve to form this Association for the purpose of strengthening our correspondence. We agree to work toward welcoming Christian fellowship for ourselves, and everyone seeking to worship God in Spirit and in Truth, free from the prejudice of denominations. We will sustain the worship, ordinance, discipline and doctrine of the Association; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together. We covenant, as members of Christ, to walk in brotherly love in order to be a light to sinners, and a shining example to our children. Our hope is to be a home for all of God's children who have been trampled underfoot, or those who have been treated unjustly by men.

We pray that God will bless us with this endeavor until the final trump sounds and Christ presents us to the Father as his undefiled bride.

Special Thanks to Brother Joey Justice



We would like to thank Brother Joey Justice for serving the Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists as Assistant Clerk for the last 16 years. Your sacrifice and dedication cannot be match by most. Brother Joey has been the epitome of a terrific role model, a remarkable mentor, and a distinguished brother. We are so thankful for your ongoing assistance despite the absence of a formal title or office within the association. Behind every great man is a great woman. We would also like to thank Sister Robin for always being supportive of her beloved husband. Every couple within our great association should strive to have what these two have.

Your Forever Grateful Clerks,

Brother Thomas Pinion and Brother Brandon Newsom

**Proceedings of the
Seventeenth Annual Session of the
Solid Rock Association of
Old Time Baptists of
Jesus Christ
September 9, 2016**

Many brothers and sisters traveled from across the country to gather together at the Pilgrims Prayer Church in Dorton, Kentucky for the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists of Jesus Christ. After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, our moderator, Elder Daryl Newsom, stood and welcomed everyone who had met out. He said that the one thing we must remember and stay focused on is: Jesus is Lord! He continued that we must draw sinners in. Then Brother Daryl Newsom asked Elder Larry Patton to open the services.

Brother Larry Patton stood and said that he did not come to preach, but rather he came to fellowship. He advised the congregation, "If you do not know my Lord, then you need to." He informed us of some of God's promises: to hear our cries and pardon our sins. He went on to say that he serves an awesome God and the only way to get to Heaven is through and by Him. He continued by saying that we must serve Him everyday, and not just on Sundays. During his conclusion, he said that nothing we can do in this world could ever compare to what He has done for us in Heaven.

Elder Cullen Caudill lined, “I Have Started for Thy Kingdom” and Elder Charles Jarrell led us in prayer. He asked the Lord to lead us and guide us in our work, because we know where our help comes from and God knows exactly what we need.

Deacon Joey Justice sang, “As I Kneel in the Darkness” and Elder Mike Newsom delivered the Introductory Sermon. He said he had attempted to preach the Introductory Sermon while he was by himself so many times before that he ended up asking God to bless him to preach His sermon, because he felt preaching to the brothers was much harder for him than preaching to a Sunday congregation. He informed everyone that coming out here was about strengthening correspondence. He thanked the brothers for everything they have been through in the past and for shielding him from it. While growing up he only heard about the sacrifices that got us where we are today. He told the brothers that he loved them and he encouraged them to be thankful for what they have. He continued by saying the church names may be different, but the brothers stay the same. He concluded he never has to worry about where he is going to preach now, but rather what he is going to preach.

Elder Randy Newsome sang, “I am Blessed” and Elder Bill Conley led us in prayer to open the association. He asked God to bless the work that we were about to do.

Brother Daryl stood and declared the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Solid Rock Association open, seated, and in working order.

Item-1

Elder Daryl Newsom called for the church letters to be handed in to the clerk, along with any contributions, obituaries, queries and/or requests. The clerk, Deacon Thomas Pinion, then read the letter from the **Pilgrims Prayer Church**. A move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Elder Shad Newsome were made to receive their letter and seat their delegates, along with **all** churches and delegates who submitted a letter in regular form.

(Shortly after the Association met, the family heirs of the Little Dove Church put the property of the church up for sale and the remaining members are without a building and a moderator. Even though the remaining members of the church submitted a letter to the Association, they are no longer holding services at this time.)

Item-2

The moderator appointed Brother Joey Justice to go back and take the vote for officer elections.

The officers selected to serve the association for the year were:

Moderator:	Daryl G. Newsom
Assistant Moderator:	Cullen Caudill
Clerk/Treasurer:	Thomas Pinion
Assistant Clerk:	Brandon Newsom

The officers agreed to serve this association to the best of their ability.

Item-3

Brother Daryl Newsom stood as moderator with a move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Elder Brandon Newsom for him to make all temporary appointments.

Item-4

Brother Daryl Newsom asked if the delegates would like the Charter, the Rules of Decorum, the Constitution and the Articles of Faith read or omitted from being read. A move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Elder Elisha Justice was made to omit reading the Rules of Decorum, Constitution and Articles of Faith, but to read the Charter.

After the assistant clerk, Brother Brandon Newsom, read the Charter, Brother Daryl Newsom admonished the brothers to obey the Rules of Decorum.

Item-5

The moderator called for any newly organized or duly constituted churches, who may desire membership with us and none responded.

Item-6

The moderator called for any associations or churches who may desire correspondence, or a working relationship with the Solid Rock Association, the following responded:

- 1. Fellowship Freewill Baptist Church** - Elkhorn City, KY, represented by Elder Bill Conley. Said church desired to remain a fellowship church of the association, but submitted a letter after the association.
- 2. Hurricane Gap Baptist Church** - Gordon, KY, represented by Brother Charles O. Shepherd submitted a letter desiring to continue being a fellowship church of the association.

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3. **Southern Home Church of Old Regular Baptists** - Citra, FL, represented by Elder Charles Jarrell submitted a letter desiring to continue being a fellowship church of the association.

A move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Mike Stanley was made to receive said churches as fellowship churches, seat them, and give them the right-hand of fellowship.

Item-7

Brother Daryl called for transient ministers or members to sign in with the clerk at this time. The following responded:

Joey Justice	Chris Newsom
Chad Reinthaler	Larry Hankins
Jonah Justice	Bryan Tuttle
Jerry Kidd	Joe Grimm
Charles Jarrell	Nathan Little
Clyde Bentley	Otto Newsom

Item-8

The moderator appointed a committee on finance consisting of the clerk and assistant clerk. He reminded the churches that all donations should be turned in to the clerk at this time. This committee is to give their report on Saturday morning.

Item-9

The moderator was asked to make the arrangements for Friday's afternoon service based on which brothers were able to stay after dinner. Brother Daryl Newsom made the following arrangements:

Introduction:	Deacon Billy Adair, Jr.
Prayer:	Elder Randy Newsome
Second:	Elder Shad Newsome
Third:	Brother Joe Grimm
Close:	Elder Larry Hankins

Item-10

The Committee on Arrangements agreed to meet after the service Friday afternoon to review the four requests sent in. Brother Brandon Newsom read the four requests at this time.

Item-11

The moderator appointed a Committee on Resolutions consisting of association officers, as well as one delegate from each member church. Elder Chris Newsom was appointed as the chairman of this committee. The purpose of this committee is to work with the committee on arrangements and write recommendations to come under consideration of the delegates for Saturday's work.

Item-12

A move by Brother Elisha Justice and a second by Elder Freddy Grubbs was made to adjourn the work for the day.

When Friday's business was finished, Elder Clyde Bentley sang "He's My All and All". Elder Larry Hankins led in a prayer of dismissal and asked a blessing over the food.

Friday Afternoon September 9, 2016

After dinner, we gathered back upstairs and sang some well-loved songs of Zion. Elder Chris Newsom stood and spoke on the love that we have for one another.

Brother Billy Adair, Jr. introduced the services by speaking on his own conversion. He said the Lord took a guy like him, which did not have much, and gave him love. Brother Billy's coworkers questioned why he wanted to drive 12 hours from Florida to Kentucky just to go to church and he responded that he was going there to see some really good friends. His grandfather told him that when he was at a loss for words in the stand, that he just needed to say, "Jesus!"

Brother Daryl Newsom lined "I Love Thy Kingdom" and Elder Randy Newsome led in prayer. He asked God to continue to encourage and bless His people.

Brother Shad Newsome sang "God on the Mountain" and began to preach. He spoke about his drive coming back to Eastern Kentucky and all of the thoughts that came to his mind. He remembered how his grandmother used to spoil him and was always there to comfort him. He recalled when she passed and he was given the opportunity to see her body one last time before the coroner took her away, that all he could think about was 1st Corinthians 15:55 which says, "O death, where is thy sting?" Brother Shad then spoke about how easy it would have been for him and his wife to blame God when they lost their child before it was born, but they did not. He expressed that he is a brand new creature, because of the Lord.

Brother Joe Grimm followed by preaching, “That not every where makes you feel as welcome as they do here.” He continued to talk about how the brothers show him love and about the anticipation that was in the air at this year’s association meeting. Brother Joe said there is something about that Name that could make the lame to walk, cause a blind man to see, and to make a dirty, rotten sinner, like him, come to the Lord.

Elder Larry Hankins came to the stand to close the service. Brother Larry began preaching about the need to draw others in with love and kindness. He spoke about how the Lord changed him with the help of a 15-year-old girl that he eventually married. He recollected baptizing his children. He proclaimed to raise a child in the way that you would have them to go and they will not depart from it. He publicized that if Christians fought against the devil as hard as they can fight against each other at times, then Satan would not stand a chance.

Brother Randy Newsome sang “Heaven Sweet Heaven” and Brother Chad Reinthaler said a prayer of dismissal.

Saturday Morning Proceedings September 10, 2016

After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion our moderator, Brother Daryl Newsom, welcomed all who had met out. Brother Joey Justice sang “We Will Live Through the Ages”.

Brother Elisha Justice introduced the service. He talked about when he was lost and how all the testimonies of the brothers sitting around him helped him. He recalled when he first recognized a change in himself; it was when he was playing basketball. His teammates were listening to music attempting to get pumped up for the game while he was listening to the brothers preach. He would get his teammates to listen to the preaching, because he wanted to share it with them. He concluded his sermon by detailing a conversation he had with someone about him missing two free throws at the end of a conference championship game. He said the man asked him how God would allow someone so blessed to miss those free throws and lose the game. Brother Elisha explained how if they had won the game then the team would have celebrated the entire trip home, but since they lost there was no celebrating. Brother Elisha said he got his Bible out and began to read it. As he did some of his teammates came over to him and started asking questions about what he was reading. Brother Elisha told the man they may have lost that game but he felt like a winner. He was given the opportunity to speak about God to his teammates, which he may not have had if they won the game.

Brother Randy Newsome sang “I Am Blessed” and Brother Freddie Grubbs led in prayer. He asked the Lord to anoint the brothers who come; he asked Him to let them decrease so He could increase.

With the preaching being ended, Brother Daryl stood so the association's work could begin.

Item-13

Our moderator, Brother Daryl Newsom, stood and asked the clerk to call the roll of delegates from the churches of our union, and note the absentees. Brother Daryl noted the absence of the Lexington United Baptist Church, Inc. and the Freedom Valley Old Regular Baptist Church.

Item-14

The moderator called for transient ministers or members to sign in with the clerk at this time. The following responded:

Michael Newsom
Chad Reinthaler
Billy Adair, Jr.
Bryan Tuttle
Nathan Little
Chris Newsom
Charles Jarrell
Clyde Bentley

Jeremy Newsom
Ed Reinthaler
Brian Crossley
Jerry Kidd
Joey Justice
Larry Hankins
Otto Newsom

Item-15

Brother Daryl called for a report from the committee on finance. Brother Thomas Pinion gave the following treasury report:

Current Account:	
Balance after 2015 Association	\$2,622.11
Bank Fees and food for Association (LUB)	(-\$122.86)
Paid out for 2015 Minutes	(-\$1,200.00)
Paid Clerk for Services & Postage	(-\$300.00)
Hosting Website	(-\$120.00)
Flowers (Elder Charles Shepherd)	(-\$100.00)
Balance in Current Account	\$779.25
Old Account:	
Balance in Old Account	\$50.00
2016 Donations (Minutes):	
Canaan's Shore	\$200.00
G. Bennett Adams	\$150.00
Pilgrims Prayer	\$350.00
Southern Home	\$100.00
Hurricane Gap	\$150.00
Contributions from Churches	\$950.00
Donation for Social Media	\$100.00
TOTAL AMOUNT ON HAND	\$1,879.25

A move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Brother Elisha Justice was made to receive this report and discharge the committee.

Item-16

Brother Daryl asked for, and received, a move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Brother Josh Newsom to have all obituaries printed in the minutes. This move included printing all obituary pictures at no expense to the family.

Item-17

A move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Brother Elisha Justice was made for our clerks, Brother Thomas Pinion and Brother Brandon Newsom, to superintend the printing of the minutes. It was agreed that they would discuss with each church to determine how many minutes they would need and get pricing options to determine how many copies to have printed this year. Then they are to distribute them to the churches.

Item-18

A move by Brother Brandon Newsom and a second by Brother Shad Newsome was made to discontinue compensating the clerks for the superintending and distribution of minutes.

Item-19

Our normal Saturday afternoon service was cancelled due to the ordinations of Brother Jerry Kidd and Brother Nathan Little by the Pilgrims Prayer Church.

Item-20

A move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Brother Freddy Grubbs was made to allow our moderator, Brother Daryl Newsom, to make the arrangements for the Sunday morning service depending on which preachers are in attendance Sunday morning. The move included that Brother Daryl Newsom is to close the service. Brother Daryl recommended the following:

Sunday Morning

Prayer:	Deacon Brian Crossley
After Prayer:	Elder Chris Newsom
Second:	Elder Brandon Newsom
Closing:	Elder Daryl G. Newsom

Item-21

A move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Brother Josh Newsom was made to have all Union, Communion, and Memorial meetings printed in the minutes. The move was extended to include printing the date and time of any other “*special*” meetings the churches want listed.

Item-22

A move by Brother Josh Newsom and a second by Brother Freddy Grubbs was made to have the Constitution, Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and our Charter printed in the minute book.

Item-23

Brother Jerry Mann, chosen by the delegates during the 2015 session to write this year’s circular letter, was not present, so Brother Daryl Newsom asked Elder Jeremy Newsom, chosen by the delegates during the 2015 session as the alternate, to come and read his circular letter. After reading his letter, a move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Brother Elisha Justice was made to receive the letter as written and print it in the minute books.

Item-24

Deacon Brian Crossley stood to give a report on the association’s website. A move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Brother Freddy Grubbs was made to retain the committee with the addition of Brother Brandon Newsom to keep the association’s website going.

Item-25

The moderator called on the standing Committee on Council to see if they had been called upon during the past year. Our Assistant Moderator, Elder Cullen Caudill, reported the committee had not been called upon. A move by Brother Freddy Grubbs and a second by Brother Mike Stanley was made to retain the same members for the standing Committee on Council. The chairperson would be the assistant moderator of the association, Brother Cullen Caudill. Members of this council include all moderators, all assistant moderators, and all of the officers of this association.

Item-26

Brother Daryl Newsom appointed a teller, Brother Joey Justice, to tally a vote from all delegates on who will preach next year's introductory sermon and their alternate; as well as who will write next year's circular letter and their alternate.

The delegates chose Elder Elisha Justice to preach the introductory sermon in 2017, with Elder Freddy Grubbs as his alternate. They chose Elder Clyde Bentley to write next year's circular letter, with Elder Josh Newsom as his alternate.

Item-27

There being four items from the Committee on Arrangements, each was read and addressed at this time:

27A: The Pilgrim's Prayer Church put forth a request to host the 2017 Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists of Jesus Christ. A move by Brother Freddy Grubbs and a second by Brother Jeremy Ashburn was made to grant their request.

27B: The G. Bennett Adams Church put forth a request to host the 2017 Communion-Fellowship meeting. A move by Brother Josh Newsom and a second by Brother Freddy Grubbs was made

to grant their request.

27C: The Canaan's Shore Old Regular Baptist Church put forth a request to consider the wording of Article 7 of the Solid Rock Association Constitution, which states:

"New churches may be admitted to this union if they shall petition by a letter and delegates. If, upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator, who shall give them the right hand of fellowship."

The Committee on Resolutions met and put forth this recommendation to change Article 7 to read as follows:

"Any church petitioning, for either full membership or fellowship status, is to submit formal paperwork to the Association at the annual Solid Rock Association meeting. They will fall under the watch care of the Association's Committee on Council for an examination period of one year. If, at the conclusion of the examination period, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, per report by the Committee on Council, they shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator, who shall give them the right hand of fellowship."

We request to include Article 4, under Resolutions. This Resolution will state:

"Under Article 7, any church organized under the authority of the Solid Rock Association, seeking membership, shall be immediately received and given the right hand of fellowship. This Article shall include any new associations seeking correspondence. Being a full member church of the Solid Rock Association grants voting rights

to delegates, qualifies churches to have members selected to preach the Introductory Sermon, and to write the Circular Letter. Fellowship churches only, are extended the right hand of fellowship as individual churches but do not have these authoritative rights."

A move by Brother Mike Stanley and a second by Brother Josh Newsom was made to grant their request.

27D: The Canaan's Shore Old Regular Baptist Church put forth a request to consider the wording of Article 14 of the Solid Rock Association Constitution, which states:

"Amendments to this plan of government may be made by a majority of the union if deemed necessary."

The Committee on Resolutions met and put forth this recommendation to change Article 14 to read as follows:

"Amendments to this plan of government can only be made by unanimous decision of the union, if deemed necessary."

We request to include Article 5 of the Resolutions. This Resolution will state:

"Under Article 14, the term "plan of government" pertains to the Association foundational documents including the Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum. This does not apply to Article 16, which pertains to standard Association matters."

A move by Brother Freddy Grubbs and a second by Brother Elisha Justice were made to grant their request with the addition of the “Charter”.

Item-28

A move by Brother Freddy Grubbs and a second by Brother Josh Newsom was made to have the clerk write a letter dedicating this year’s minutes to the deceased members of our association who have died since last year.

Item-29

A move by Brother Josh Newsom and a second by Brother Freddy Grubbs was made to have the assistant clerk write a letter of thanks to the hosting church, the Pilgrims Prayer Church, for their work and hospitality during the 2016 Solid Rock Association.

Item-30

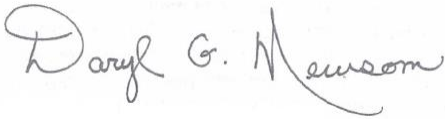
A move by Brother Shad Newsome and a second by Brother Mike Stanley was made to allow the clerks to make any and all grammatical corrections in the publishing of the minutes upon approval of the moderators of the member churches.

Item-31

There being no further work to be done, a move by Brother Josh Newsom and a second by Brother Brandon Newsom was made to cease work for the day and to adjourn the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists.

After the association work was finished, Brother Jerry Kidd lined “How Happy Are They” and Brother Cullen Caudill led in prayer. He asked God to lead us and guide us in a path that He would have us go. He concluded his prayer by asking God to go with us and guide us along our way.

Done and signed by the order of the association,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daryl G. Newsom". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent loop at the start of the first name.

Elder Daryl G. Newsom, Moderator

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Pinion". The signature is written in a similar fluid style to the one above, with a large initial 'T'.

Deacon Thomas Pinion, Clerk

Sunday Morning Service September 11, 2016

After singing a few well-loved songs of Zion, Brother Mike Newsom welcomed all who had met out. He said God has blessed us all weekend and that if everyone came in the right way, seeking a blessing, God would be right here with us. Brother Joe Grimm lined “Jesus Thou Art the Sinner’s Friend” and Brother Brian Crossley led in prayer. He asked for God’s blessings for each one of us. He concluded his prayer by asking God to touch everyone on the prayer list the way He touched him one day, because He is the Great Physician.

Brother Chris Newsom came after prayer preaching how serving the Lord is the only way he can get peace of mind in this world. He then sang “On the Other Side of Jordan”. He said that being around God’s people feeds him. He continued by saying that sometimes we let the world distract us but God’s perfect love never changes. Brother Chris explained that he is a weak creature in this world and needs to recharge with a good meeting from time to time. He concluded his sermon by telling a story of a brother who came to visit Canaan’s Shore Church after seeing them online. He asked Brother Chris to fellowship and praise God in his home church. Brother Chris responded by saying that if it would help, he would go door to door spreading the Word. Brother Chris exclaimed that when the world is all out of control God is still right there.

Sister Tiffany Addington sang “Your Voice Has Awoken the Master” and Brother Brandon Newsom began to preach. He told the congregation that if there was something in their lives keeping them from the Lord, then they needed to pray all night if that was what it took. He asked the Lord to give him the strength of Samson, the faith of Daniel, and the spirit of Moses. He recalled of the story when the disciples were on a boat in the middle of a storm one day. The boat was being rocked and the men on board were throwing things overboard to try and get through the storm, but the only way to get through the storm was to awaken the Master. He recollected on a time when he was 16-years-old and was in the middle of a storm he had never seen before. He too had to call on his Master for help. Brother Brandon said that it is not the pages of the Bible that he holds onto, but it is the Spirit. He told of the many stories of the survivors of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Centers on September 11, 2001, speaking about the many preachers in the stairwells and firemen in the rubble telling them that they had time to repent to the Lord. Brother Brandon concluded by asking, “Is there not a cause?”

Brother Daryl Newsom stood to close the service. He declared that God loves us and loves to be in our midst. He said that time may last another hundred years, it may last a day, but when you close your eyes in this world that is the end of time for you. Brother Daryl explained that he has been serving the Lord for the last 37 years and that he needs the Lord more today than he ever has. He recalled of a time when his grandmother came walking down the aisle at her son’s funeral and started shouting that the Lord was so good to her. She knew that she was going to meet her son again. Brother Daryl invited everyone to, “Come and go with us,” and he concluded his sermon by asking, “How long halt you between two opinions?”

Brother Shad Newsome sang “As I Lay My Crown”, Brother Josh Newsom sang “Hold On”, and Brother Larry Hankins said a prayer of dismissal.

**Please Join Us For Our
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It will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
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Located 20 miles south of Pikeville
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We'd Love To See You There!

Circular Letter

By: Jeremy Newsom

Dear brothers and sisters of the Solid Rock Association,

It is with much prayer, contemplation and study that I attempt to put into words what I feel God has put upon my heart to write for our annual Circular Letter. I do not pretend to be an impressive linguist or someone gifted with words. I am a mere servant to our Holy Father and desire nothing but to help spread his good works and spirit to a lost and dying world. I have no intention of bolstering myself nor do I wish to hurt anyone who reads this. It is my sincere prayer that you will look over my shortcomings and bear with me, and know that I love all of you.

Our world is growing further away from God with each passing day. I worry over my children, as I know each of you do the same. Not only for our children, but all our friends and loved ones, whether saved or unsaved. Our churches, and this association, have to be a light in the darkness that is surrounding us, trying to choke us out. That is our sole purpose while we remain on earth, to reach out to those who do not confess a hope in the lord. To fight back against a cruel and dark world that is trying to pull us asunder and drive wedges between us. To keep us too busy fighting with ourselves and with one another that we miss the opportunity that God has given us to work for him, by bringing the lost into the fold.

In the book of Titus chapter 3, Paul writes:

3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving diverse lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared,

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost.

This association and all our churches need to remember and hold to the greatest thing that Jesus demonstrated while here on earth. That is to show love towards one another. If we remember nothing else, let us never forget that. If others wish to find fault with us, let them only find fault in our willingness to always show love towards one another and to all God's children. To be merciful, forgiving, sincere, and most importantly, to love one another.

This world can be likened unto the law and the Pharisees, full of condemnation and judgment. In the gospel of Mathew, Jesus bid his disciples to prepare a meal of corn, even though according to the law it was not allowed as it was the Sabbath day. When the Pharisees condemned them for it, Jesus answered:

3 "Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungered, and they that were with him;

4 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?"

Jesus' example here is one of love and mercy, not of traditions or rules. He is trying to show the Pharisees the difference between what the world (or law) says is important, and what is truly meaningful. Later when Jesus went into the synagogue, they beheld a man whose hand was withered. In order to find fault with him and accuse him, the Pharisees asked: "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day?" Jesus' answer was again one of love and mercy:

11 And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the Sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift it out?

12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the Sabbath days.

13 Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other.

Here again we can witness one of many such acts in which Jesus attempted to demonstrate to the world the true meaning of being a child of God, to always show love towards each other, forsaking the rituals, traditions and rules we are so easily beset by.

I can remember in my youth, before I was a Christian, the feeling I got when I walked into the House of David Church in Attica, Michigan. It was not a feeling of judgment or of condemnation, but one of love and kindness. I was never asked if I followed this rule or that rule, or what trouble I had been in to the night before, but was greeted with a sincere hug and a smile. I was greeted with love. Had it not have been for that love I felt, I cannot say that I would be able to call myself a child of God today. No matter what darkness I surrounded myself with and no matter what trouble I got into, I remembered that feeling and it stuck with me always. Love is how we reach the lost.

While our Association grows and we are blessed to take new members out into the water for baptizing, we all need to understand that we are not blessed to do such by any good work any of us have done, or by any righteousness we ourselves possess. It is but by the mere mercy and love of

Jesus our Father. Legalism is the path to self-righteousness. Mercy and love is the path to God. We too often try to lead God down the path that we feel is right, when we really need to let God lead us. The bible says in the book of Romans chapter 4:

1 What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found?

2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God.

3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.

Here, Paul is giving us the example to follow; believe first, let God lead us and we will see the fruit of our efforts. All things begin with belief. When I was a lost sinner I believed I was destined for hell. I believed that the love I felt when I went to church was real; tangible. When I laid down my life at the lord's feet, I believed that he saved me. When I was struggling with my calling to preach, I believed that it was what God was calling me to do. And now, I believe God has blessed our churches and our Association because we have tried to put him first. Let us never forget our calling.

My life is one full of peaks and valleys. Looking back on it, I seem to behold a pattern. Whenever I have tried to lead God, or do what I thought was best, I have made a mess of things. Those are the times in my life when I've been in the lowest valleys. On the rare occasions in my life when I have laid everything in the hands of the Lord, those are the times he has led me to my peaks. We must understand that the natural man is constantly at war with the spirit. We as an association cannot ever let ourselves become led by the flesh or by any of our own selfish desires. As Paul warned the Romans in chapter 10:

“For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.”

Let us instead know when to hold our tongues, when to speak and when not to, when to insert ourselves and when to let God lead. Let us always remember that this association is comprised of individual churches and that the association itself holds no power over any of them, and that each one may be a little different, and that's ok. As long as we continue to put the Lord first and focus on calling sinner men and women home, looking over the small differences that we all have, I truly believe that the Lord will bless us.

Dear brothers and sisters of the Solid Rock Association, I pray that we continue to grow and prosper, always giving the glory to God, and always in love. For if we fail to act and behave in a manner that does not demonstrate love, first and foremost, I promise that we will stop growing. I love each and every one of you. May God bless you all, and may God bless our association.

Your brother in Christ,

Elder Jeremy D. Newsom.

Delegates & Alternates To The 2016 Association

Canaan's Shore Church

Delegates: Shad Newsome, Jeremy Ashburn, & Brandon Newsom

Alternates: Larry Hankins & Jeremy Newsom

G. Bennett Adams Church

Delegates: Roger Eldridge, John B. Hall, & Mark Holland

Alternates: Ronnie Caudill, LeRoy Fields, & Freddy Grubbs

Little Dove Church

Delegates: Norman Charles, Scotty Tackett, & Bill Conley

Alternates: None

Pilgrims Prayer Church

Delegates: Elisha Justice, Mike Stanley, & Josh Newsom

Alternates: Jonah Justice & Greg Bartley

Solid Rock Association 2017 Communion

Hosted by G. Bennett Adams Church
Starting Thursday Evening at 6:00 PM
April 27th – 30th, 2017

Thursday Service:

Ministers Invited:

Third Thursday in April

Fred Neeley, Elisha Justice, & Jerry
Kidd

Friday Service:

Ministers Invited:

Third Friday in April

Paul Cline & James Smith

Saturday Service:

Ministers Invited:

Third Saturday in April

Jason Lowery, Jerry Manns, & Paul
McClanahan

Sunday Service:

Ministers Invited:

Third Sunday in April

Daryl Newsom, Randy Newsome, Clyde
Bentley, & William Adair, Sr.

A Message from the Assistant Clerk

The Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists wishes once again to thank the Pilgrims Prayer Church for the use of their building and all of its facilities for this great weekend.

We hope you had a blessed weekend, as we all did. Thank you so much for the warm welcome and the good food we shared. Thanks to all of you for being involved and making this one of the memorable weekends of our year.

We hope to be back next year on September 8, 9, and 10, 2017. We hope to see you all and hope you bring someone with you.

Your Servant in our Lord, Jesus Christ,

Brother Brandon Newsom, Assistant Clerk

****Special Note****

***Unless** a church requests this to be different...All regular meeting times are governed by the Saturday **before** the Sunday of the month.*

*This means: If a month begins on a Sunday, this would constitute an **ODD** or **FIFTH** Weekend of the month, and the **following** Sunday would be the First weekend.*

To stay current throughout the year on news or new churches visit our web site for frequent updates (www.sraoldtimebaptist.com).

Member Churches' Information

Canaan's Shore Old Regular Baptist Church



Located: Ararat, North Carolina

Physical Address: 4218 NC 268, Ararat
North Carolina 27007

Regular Meeting: Third Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
Business Session: Third Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm
Other Meetings: First Sunday at 10:30 am

Moderator: Elder Chris Newsom (336) 351-4860
196 Tom Hunter Road
Pilot Mountain, NC 27041

Asst. Moderator: Elder Brandon Newsom (336) 970-9073
5005 Nettlebrook Court
Winston-Salem, NC 27106

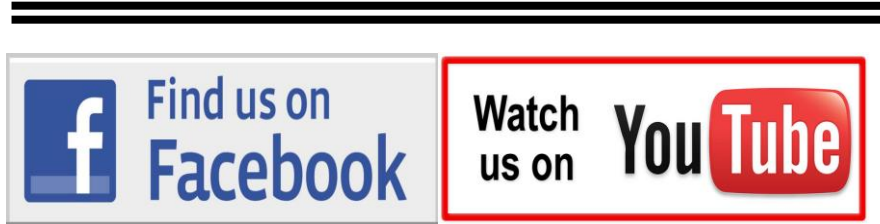
Clerk: Elder Shad Newsome (336) 493-5188
168 Shinoult Road
Pinnacle, NC 27043

Ordained Ministers: Larry Hankins (336) 351-3530
Brandon Newsom (336) 970-9073
Chris Newsom (336) 351-4860
Jeremy Newsom (336) 497-7267
Shad Newsome (336) 493-5188

Union Meeting: *Third Weekend in August*
Ministers Invited: Daryl Newsom, Ronnie Houser, Cullen Caudill, & Clyde Bentley

Communion Meeting: *Third Weekend in October*
Ministers Invited: Elisha Justice, Mike Newsom, Joey Justice (singing), Bill Adair, Sr., & Brian Crossley, and Bruce Forsyth

Memorial Meeting: *Third Weekend in May*
Ministers Invited: Billy Adair, Jr., Charlie Jarrell, Josh Newsom, & Joe Grimm



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G. Bennett Adams Baptist Church



Located: Roxanna, Kentucky

Physical Address: 3326 HWY 160
Premium, KY 41825

Directions: *From Whitesburg*, take Rt-15 towards Hazard. Go 4 miles to Rt-160 and turn left toward Roxanna. Go 3 miles to church on right. *From Hazard*, take Rt-15 towards Whitesburg. Go 3 miles past Isom to Rt-160 and turn right toward Roxanna. Go 3 miles to church on right.

Regular Meeting: First Sunday of each month at 11:00 am
Business Session: First Saturday of each every three months at 6:00 pm
Other Meetings: Second, Fourth, & Odd Sunday at 11:00 am
Every Thursday at 6:00 pm

Pastor: Elder Cullen Caudill (606) 785-3241
PO Box 1733
Hindman, KY 41822

Asst. Pastor: Elder Leroy Fields (606) 633-4282
283 Johnson Creek
Premium, KY 41845

Solid Rock Association

Clerk:	John Buren Hall PO Box 307 Isom, KY 41824	(606) 634-5230
Ordained Ministers:	Cullen Caudill Leroy Fields Freddy Grubbs	(606) 785-3241 (606) 633-4284 (606) 216-1291
Liberated Ministers:	Ronnie Caudill Roger Eldridge	(606) 276-3510 (606) 634-6955
Union Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Weekend in May</i> Nathan Little, Jerry Kidd, Jerry Manns, Fred Neeley, Joey Justice (<i>singing</i>), & Shannon Wallen	
Communion Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Sunday in August</i> Jason Lowery, Paul McClanahan, Paul Yonts, Nathan Little, Joey Justice (<i>singing</i>), & Mike Stanley	
Memorial Meeting: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Sunday in June</i> Cullen Caudill, Daryl Newsom, Jason Lowery, Clyde Bentley, & <i>Special Singers:</i> Joey Justice, Mike Eldridge, & Israel Clark	
Special Service: Ministers Invited:	<i>First Sunday in April</i> All Ministers from Southern Home Church, Chris Newsom, & Jeremy Newsom	



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Pilgrims Prayer Church



Located: Dorton, Kentucky

Physical Address: 121 Steve Wright Road
Jenkins KY 41537

Directions: Take US-23 about 20 miles South of Pikeville. Continue traveling South on US-23 through Dorton, about one half mile. Church is located on the left and is visible from the four lane.

Regular Meeting: Second Sunday of each month at 10:00 am
Business Session: Second Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm
Other Meetings: Every Sunday at 10:00 am

Moderator: Elder Daryl G. Newsom (606) 639-4667
P.O. Box 241
Dorton, Kentucky 41520

Asst. Moderator: Elder Mike Newsom (606) 639-6450
504 Caney Little Fork
Pikeville, Kentucky 41501

Clerk: Deacon Thomas Pinion (606) 639-4541
P.O. Box 476
Dorton, Kentucky 41520

Ordained Ministers: Larry Adkins (606) 478-5901
Clyde Bentley (606) 639-4776
Marvin Hall (740) 988-5129
Elisha Justice (606) 939-4659
Paul McClanahan (276) 935-8864
Daryl G. Newsom (606) 639-4667
Josh Newsom (606) 213-1499
Mike Newsom (606) 639-6450
Randy Newsome (606) 478-7065

Liberated Ministers: Joe Grimm (606) 309-5165
Chad Reinthaler (606) 367-1927

Union Meeting: *Second Weekend in June*
Ministers Invited: Clyde Bentley & Jeremy Newsom

Communion Meeting: *Second Weekend in July*
Ministers Invited: Cullen Caudill, Brandon Newsom,
Charlie Jarrell, & Billy Adair, Sr.

Memorial Meeting: *Second Weekend in August*
Ministers Invited: Shad Newsome & Home Brothers

Special Services: *Fourth of July*
Holifield/Tackett Memorial
Ministers Invited: Chris Newsom, Home Brothers,
& Johnny Slone (Singing)



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Fellowship **Churches**

*But if we walk in the light,
as he is in the light,
we have fellowship one with another,
and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son
cleanseth us from all sin*

(1 John 1:7)

Fellowship Freewill Baptist Church

Located: Elkhorn City, KY

Physical Location: 351 Pond Creek Road
Elkhorn City, KY 41522

Directions: Turn right after crossing bridge at Draffin

Meeting Times: Every Sunday worship at 11:00 am

Business Session: Fourth Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm

Other Meetings: Every Thursday at 7:00 pm and
First Sunday Evening at 7:00 pm

Union Meeting: 1st weekend in April

Ministers Invited: Daryl Newsom, Josh Newsome, & Elisha Justice

Communion Meeting: 4th Weekend in April

Ministers Invited: Marion Slone, Cullen Caudill, Josh Newsom, &
Joey Justice (singing)

2nd Communion Meeting: 4th Weekend in October

Ministers Invited: Nathan Little, Daryl Newsome, & Elisha Justice

Pastor: Elder Bill Conley (606) 754-4755

Clerk: Denver Bartley (606) 754-9381
PO Box 1107
Elkhorn City, KY 41522

Hurricane Gap Church

Located: Gordon, KY

Physical Location: 341 HWY 463
Elkhorn City, KY 41522

Meeting Times: Every Sunday except the Second at
10:30 am

Business Session: Third Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm

Other Meetings: Odd Sunday at 10:00 am with dinner after

Communion Meeting: *3rd Sunday in March*

Ministers Invited: Randy Newsome, Cullen Caudill, &
Wayne Caudill

2nd Communion Meeting: *3rd Sunday in August*

Ministers Invited: Jerry Kidd, Jason Lowery, & Nathan Little

Memorial Meeting: *3rd Sunday in October*

Ministers Invited: Cullen Caudill, Wayne Caudill, & Daryl Newsom

Moderator: Elder Clyde Bentley (606) 639-4776

Clerk: Charles O. Shepherd (606) 589-9218
456 HWY 463
Gordon, KY 41819

Southern Home Old Regular Baptist Church

Located: Citra, FL

Physical Location: 14748 N Magnolia Avenue
Citra, FL 32113-3647

Meeting Times: Every Sunday at 11:00 am

Business Session: First Saturday of each month at 11:00 am

Union/Communion Meeting: 1st Saturday in April at 5:00 pm

Ministers Invited: Brandon Newsom, Daryl Newsom, Josh Newsom, Elisha Justice, Larry Hankins, Shad Newsome, & Joey Justice (singing)

Communion Meeting: 1st Saturday in October at 5:00 pm

Ministers Invited: Bill Baisden, Corey Carroll, Clyde Bentley, Cullen Caudill, Jason Lowery, Fred Neeley, Chris Newsom, Jeremy Newsom, & Israel Clark (singing)

Memorial Meeting: 1st Saturday in June at 11:00 am

Ministers Invited: Mike Newsom, Joe Grimm, Randy Newsome, & Nathan Little

Special Service: New Year's Eve at 7:30 pm

Ministers Invited: All Welcome

Moderator: Elder William A. Adair, Sr. (352) 629-7888

Clerk: Elder Bruce P. Forsyth (352) 629-0505
PO Box 396
Sparr, FL 32192

Constitution

From a long series of experiences, we the churches of Jesus Christ, being legally baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, and convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches in order to have a union and communion among us, and preserve, perpetuate, and maintain a correspondence with each other in our union, we therefore propose to keep the order and rules of an Association, in accordance with the following plan, or form, of government:

Article 1. The Association shall be called the *Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptist of Jesus Christ*.

Article 2. The Association shall be composed of three (3) delegates from each church in our association, along with the elected officers. These delegates shall be duly sent to represent their church in the Association. They shall be members whom their church judge best qualified for that purpose. Upon producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to seats.

Article 3. Each church letter shall bear their annual statistics for numbers: in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, received by recommendation, received by restoration, dismissed by letter, dismissed by request, excluded and deceased.

Article 4. The delegates thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord anything over God's children, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in our union.

Article 5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

Article 6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk. Each shall be chosen separately by a majority vote of the delegates present.

Article 7. Any church petitioning, for either full membership or fellowship status, is to submit formal paperwork to the Association at the annual Solid Rock Association meeting. They will fall under the watch care of the Association's Committee on Council for an examination period of one year. If, at the conclusion of the examination period, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, per report by the Committee on Council, they shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator, who shall give them the right hand of fellowship.

Article 8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

Article 9. Every query presented by a church to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall come under the consideration of the Association.

Article 10. Every motion made and seconded shall be considered by the Association, unless it be withdrawn by the party who made it.

Article 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we have an Association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same. We think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums as they think proper, and to send it by their delegates to the Association. Such sums shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, chosen by the Association, who shall be accountable for the money.

Article 12. There shall be an Association Book kept wherein the proceedings of every association shall be recorded by a Secretary appointed by the Association. The Secretary shall receive annual compensation for his services.

Article 13. The minutes of the Association may be read, and corrected if need be, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises, unless the same is dispensed with. All queries, requests and resolutions which have been debated in the current association, shall be read back.

Article 14. Amendments to this plan of government can only be made by unanimous decision of the union, if deemed necessary.

Article 15. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association; the best method of effecting the same shall be determined by the Association.

Article 16. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by a will of the majority of the delegates present.

Article 17. The Association is to remain as an advisory council, and not as an administrative government. Each church SHALL hold its own Ecclesiastical Keys. Each church shall be the sole judge of its members' conduct. Each church shall also have the right to decide who is worthy of membership, office or ordination.

Article 18. This Association shall have the power to:

A.) Provide for the general union of the churches, and to preserve an inviolable chain of communion between them;

B.) Give the churches all necessary advice in matters of church difficulty;

C.) Inquire into the cause as to why any church shall fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association;

D.) Appropriate the money contributed by the churches for any purpose it may think proper;

E.) Appoint any member, by their consent, to transact any business it may think necessary;

F.) Withdraw from any church in the union that does violate the Constitution, Articles of Faith or Rules of Decorum of the Association, or deviates from the orthodox principles of the Word of God as found in the book of Hebrews 6:1-2;

G.) To admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association;

H.) To adjourn to any future time and place it deems convenient.

Articles of Faith

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God (*1 Cor 8:6*): Father, Son and Holy Ghost (*1 John 5:7*); and these three are one (*John 14:8-11*).

Article 2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as translated in the King James Version, to be the inspired written word of God (*2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21*). The New Testament is the standard of faith and the ONLY authorized rule of faith and practice to the church of God under the gospel dispensation (*Gal 5:4*).

Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of election by Grace (*Acts 10:43; Eph 2:8*). We do not believe in particular election (*Titus 2:11; Rom 10:13*) and reprobation, so as to make God partial directly, or indirectly, or to injure any of the children of men.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin (*Rom 5:12*), and of man's inability to save himself from the fallen state he is in by nature; therefore, the Savior is needed for our redemption (*Rom 5:17-19; Eph 2:8-9*).

Article 5. We believe that sinners are called (*Mark 2:17*), converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit (*1 Peter 1:23*), and that all who are so regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God, shall never fall finally away (*Eph 1:13; Heb 10:14*).

Article 6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God (*Acts 13:39; Luke 18:13-14*) only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ in obedience to the calling of repentance (*2 Timothy 1:9*).

Article 7. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and feet washing are ordinances of Jesus Christ (*Matt 3:13; Matt 26:26-29; John 13:4-14*), and that true believers are the only proper subjects of these sacraments. And, we believe the only true mode of baptism is by immersion after receiving the spiritual baptism of the Holy Ghost (*Rom 6:4*).

Article 8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead (*Luke 24:46; 1 Cor 15:51-53*), and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous (*1 Thess 4:16-17*) and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal (*John 5:28-29*).

Article 9. We believe no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel, unless He has been called (*Rom 10:15; 1 Cor 2:4*) and has come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery of the church (*Acts 13:2-3; Titus 1:5-15*).

Article 10. We believe that every doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge people in their sins (*1 Cor 5:2*), or causes them to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation (*Matt 7:13-14; Matt 7:21; Luke 13:23-24*), is erroneous and such doctrine shall be rejected by us (*Gal 1:8-10*).

Article 11. We believe that all people reaching the age of accountability must be born again (**Rom 7:9-10; John 3:3**). We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God (**Rom 4:15**), are only subject to the first death which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam. No child dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin (**Matt 18:1-5**).

Article 12. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved (**2 Pet 3:9; John 3:16**). All men, at one time or another, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved (**Rom 5:18**).

Article 13. We believe that Christ has but one true and gospel church, and that it will finally persevere through grace to glory (**Matt 16:18; 1 Cor 12:13**). When the trump shall sound, the Son shall deliver up his church and present it to his Father, and so shall we ever be with the Lord (**1 Thess 4:16-17**).

Article 14. We believe that the Church is a congregation of faithful believers in Christ who have obtained fellowship with the Lord and with one another (**Acts 2:41-42; 1 John 1:3**). Jesus Christ is the head of the church, and the government thereof is upon His shoulders (**Eph 5:23-24**).

Rules of Decorum

- Article 1.** The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- Article 2.** The Moderators and Clerks of the Association shall be selected by the delegates who are present.
- Article 3.** Only one member shall speak at a time, and shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to speak.
- Article 4.** The person speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone, except the Moderator, until he is done.
- Article 5.** The person speaking shall strictly adhere to his subject, and in no way reflect on the preceding speaker, but shall define his ideas on the proposition for debate so far as he can.
- Article 6.** No person shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave of the same.
- Article 7.** No member shall rise to speak more than three times on any one subject, without permission from the Association.
- Article 8.** No member of the Association shall have the liberty to laugh during the Association, nor whisper in time of public speech.
- Article 9.** No member shall address another in any other form or term other than that of “Brother” or “Sister.”
- Article 10.** The Moderator shall not interrupt a Brother, or prohibit him from speaking, until he gives his views on the subject, unless he has violated the Rules of Decorum.
- Article 11.** The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as the Association may require.

Article 12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as any member, provided the chair be filled. But, he *shall have no vote*, unless the Association be equally divided. In this event, he shall give the deciding vote.

Article 13. Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reprimanded by the Association as it may think proper.

Resolutions

Article 1. We believe that our article of faith #10 rejects sin, including homosexuality. We also believe that marriage is a union between a man and a woman, neither of which gender has been altered. It is further agreed that our ministers refrain from marrying people into this ungodly sin. (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 2. In regard to letters of dismissal, the association recognizes the complexity of this issue and agrees that this request falls under article #17 of our constitution, which states: *The association is to remain as an advisory council and not as an administrative government. Each church shall be the sole judge of its members conduct. Each church shall also have the right to decide who is worthy of membership, office or ordination.* (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 3. We agree that several churches have already established a method of receiving previously ordained members into their fellowship. We recommend that the churches take care to uphold our articles of faith and constitution already established, particularly article of faith #9, and we note that the laying on of hands to issue credentials is an accepted practice with in our union. (Adopted in 2004 minutes)

Article 4. Under Article 7, any church organized under the authority of the Solid Rock Association, seeking membership, shall be immediately received and given the right hand of fellowship. This Article shall include any new associations seeking correspondence. Being a full member church of the Solid Rock Association grants voting rights to delegates, qualification to have members selected to preach the Introductory Sermon, and to write the Circular Letter. Fellowship churches only, are extended the right hand of fellowship as individual churches but do not have these authoritative rights. (Adopted in 2016 minutes)

Article 5. Under Article 14, the term "plan of government" pertains to the Association foundational documents including the Charter, Constitution, Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum. This does not apply to Article 16, which pertains to standard Association matters. (Adopted in 2016 minutes)

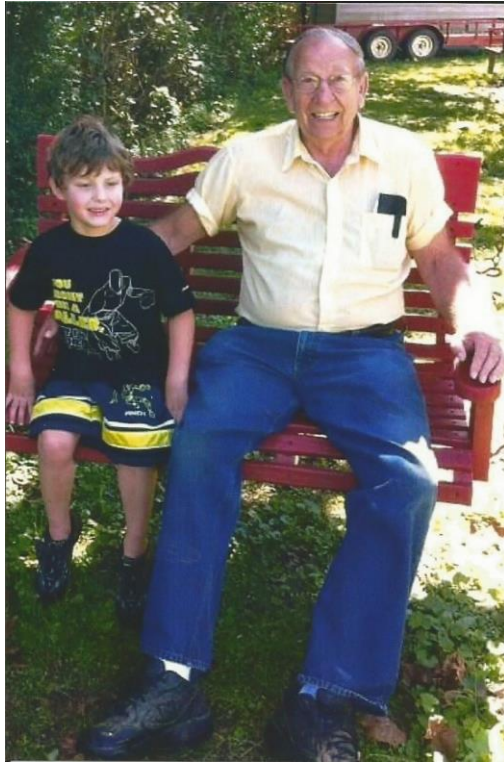
Obituaries

If you have an obituary you wish to publish in next year's minute book please send it to the clerks by October 1, 2017. If the obituary is received later than this date, then it will be in the next year's minute book.

Email or call Brandon Newsom for more information
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(336) 970-9073

*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the
death of His Saints.*

(Psalm 116:15)



Dock Justice

It is with much sadness and with the help of God I will try and write the obituary of my loving sweet and kind husband.

Dock was born June 16, 1936 a son of the late John M. and Pluma Justice. Dock was one of 12 children. He was preceded in death by five brothers: Aron, Jimmy, Clinton, Walter, and Dewey. He was preceded in death by four sisters: Helen, Johnene, Helena, and Gayle. He is survived by two sisters: Estele Collins and Jackie Justice.

On March 23, 1972, Dock married his wife Saddle Slone and they were blessed to be married almost 41 years and raised five

children: Jimmy Justice, Docketta Justice, Brittany Thacker, Katie Justice, and Monica Sims; and five grandchildren: Austin Justice, Cooper Justice, Cacie Sims, Jonathan Epling, and Shelby Epling.

Dock retired from Columbian Gas in April 2001 after working 48 years.

Dock joined the Old Regular Baptist Chloe Creek Church in October 1981 and he lived a Christian life until his death on November 7, 2015. He started attending the Pilgrims Prayer Old Regular Baptist Church in July of 2014 and he immediately found a church he loved. He felt so welcomed and loved by everybody. He wanted to take his membership there. He was so happy when he took his membership there during their Communion Service in 2015. This was the happiest time in his life and he told everybody about the church he had found. He invited everyone he knew to just come to listen to the preaching and meet all the wonderful people.

Dock fell sick to the dreaded disease cancer in September of 2015 and he never got to go back to church. He was in the hospital for six weeks and only spent one short week at home. He left this world on November 7, 2015, but I know he is resting in the arms of Jesus where there is no pain and no cancer.

Our home has changed so much, but I know he would tell all of us to just live the kind of life he lived and put all our trust in God, so that someday we could all be together in Heaven.

*“The eternal God is your refuge,
And underneath are the everlasting arms;”*

(Deuteronomy 33:27)



Danny C. Newsome

Danny C. Newsome, 66 years of age of Booker Fork passed away Sunday, August 14, 2016 at the Pikeville Medical Center. He was born in Pike County on November 5, 1949 to the late Corbet Newsome and Willis Rae Bowling. He was a member of Pilgrims Prayer Old Regular Baptist Church where he was loved. Our church very much appreciated Brother Danny, especially when he helped us sing some well-loved songs of Zion. Other than his parents he was preceded in death by one sister; Anna Lou Newsome. He is survived by his wife; Barbara Jo Newsome, one son; Danny Michael Newsome of Douglas Parkway, one step-son; Kelly Anderson Bentley of Booker Fork, one daughter; Lora (Craig) Tackett of Little Robinson, four brothers; Donny Newsome

of Glasgow, Ronnie Newsome of Myrtle Beach, SC, Randy (Robin) Newsome of Pikeville, Dewayne (Melinda) Newsome of Pikeville, four sisters; Sue (Richard) Addington of Fort Worth, TX, Margie Johnson of Pikeville, Darlene (Ricky) Potter of Pikeville, Karen Newsome Damron of Pikeville, one grandchild; Christian Tackett of Georgetown and a host of family, friends, nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Thursday at the Pilgrims Prayer Old Regular Baptist Church with Daryl Newsom and others officiating. Burial followed at the Roberts Cemetery on Booker Fork of Caney. Visitation was held on Tuesday with Morgan Chapman, Adam Akers & Larry Kendrick officiating. Wednesday night services were conducted by Daryl Newsom and others.

A message from his sister Karen:

“Just talking about Danny today with my Brother Randy how he took his death with ease! Guess he knew and made preparations a long time ago! He rendered everything but his soul to this crucial world and the evil of it! He knew his soul could not be touched by the mortality of mankind!”

“Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.”

(Matthew 18:4,4)



Luther Joseph

Luther Joseph, son of the late Levi and Viola Adams Joseph, was born at Viper, Kentucky, December 25, 1917. He entered eternal life Friday, June 10, 2016 at his residence at Premium, Kentucky being 99 years, five months, and 15 days of age at the time of his passing.

Luther was married to Edna Frazier, she passed away October 20, 2006. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the United States Army. Luther was a loving father, brother, grandfather, and friend to all who knew him. He is survived by two daughters; Sandra Lynn Napier and Vivian Rose Joseph both of Premium, Kentucky. Two sons; James Luther Joseph and Thomas Reed

Joseph both of Greenville, Tennessee. One brother; Everett Joseph of Cowan, Kentucky. Three sisters; Josephine Daisy of Indiana, Maggie Joseph of Premium, Kentucky, and Mary Tyree of Van, Kentucky. Also 10 grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

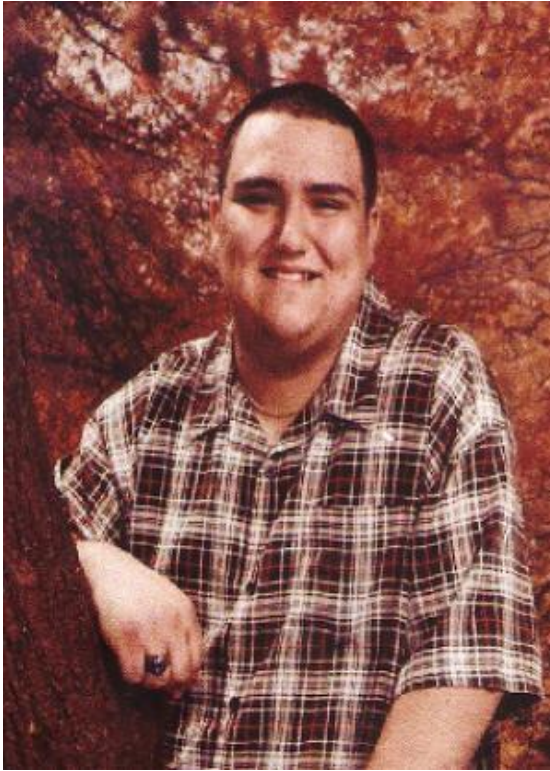
Luther was preceded in death by three sisters and four brothers.

Luther's funeral was held at the G. Bennett Adams Church. The preachers who preached his funeral were Elder Cullen Caudill, Elder Clyde Bentley, and Elder Leroy Fields. He joined the G. Bennett Adams Church when he was 96 years old. He loved his church and never missed when he was able to come. Our church loved him dearly and we really miss him. On June 10th, when death came, Jesus was standing on the right hand of God to welcome him home. We know one day after awhile, we shall see him again. Where there will be no sorrow, sickness, or pain. All will be joy and happiness. In our memory he will always be missed and loved.

Written by Sister Ruth Gibson of the G. Bennett Adams Church

“Message From Heaven”

I'm writing this from Heaven,
'Where I dwell with God, above.
I am resting here with the angels,
Who surround me now with love.
'But though I may seem far away,
We will never truly part.
'For part of me lives on with you,
'Forever in you heart.



Danny Richard Pinion

Danny Richard Pinion, 31 of Ridgeline Road passed from this earthly life Monday November 16, 2015 at his residence.

Danny was born Monday September 3, 1984 in Pike County, KY a son of Henry and Karen "Thacker" Pinion.

Danny was employed at the Appalachian News-Express.

Danny was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather Dan Pinion, maternal Grandfather Tom Ferrell, three aunts: Daisy Slone, Opal Thacker, and Sandy Shortridge, and one uncle Dan Raven Pinion.

Danny is survived by two brothers: Thomas Rollen Pinion and his wife Cheryl of Jonancy, KY and James Henry Pinion of Kimper, KY, paternal grandmother, Bessie Pinion, three aunts: Zola Thacker and her husband Dean of Upper Pompey, KY, Patricia Blair and her husband Virgil of Feds Creek, KY, and Lona Griffin and her husband Willis of Holly Ridge, NC, five uncles: Tom Thacker and his wife Nancy of Shelbiana, KY, Burbon Thacker and his wife Denise of Feds Creek, KY, Clint Pinion and his wife Sarah of Kimper, KY, Matt Pinion and Leonard Pinion both of Kimper, KY.

Danny Richard Pinion leaves behind a host of cousins, family, and friends who will miss him dearly.

Danny will be sadly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

*“Let not your heart be troubled;
You believe in God,
Believe also in Me.
In My Father’s house are many mansions;
If it were not so, I would have told you.
I go to prepare a place for you.
And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come again and receive you to Myself;
That where I am,
There you may be also.”*

(John 14:1-3)



Henry Richard Pinion

Henry Richard (Coon) Pinion, 52 of Ridgeline Road Raccoon, KY passed from this earthly life Thursday, June 16, 2016 at his home.

Henry was born Saturday, March 21, 1964 a son of Bessie (Chaney) Pinion and the late Dan Pinion of Kimper, KY.

Henry was a disabled coal miner and attended The Pilgrims Prayer Old Regular Baptist Church at Dorton, KY.

Other than his dad, Henry was preceded in death by one son, Danny Richard Pinion and a loving brother Dan Raven Pinion.

Henry is survived by his loving wife Karen (Thacker) Pinion, two sons: Thomas Rollen Pinion and his wife Cheryl of Jonancy, KY, and James Henry Pinion of the home, three brothers: Clint and his wife Sarah Pinion, Matt Ray Pinion and Leonard Pinion all of Kimper, KY, two sisters: Patricia and her husband Virgil Blair of Feds Creek, KY, Lona and her husband Willis Griffin of Holly Ridge, North Carolina, two brother-in-laws, Burbon and his wife Denise Thacker of Feds Creek, KY and Tom and his wife Nancy Thacker of Shelbiana, KY, and one sister-in-law, Zola and her husband Dean Thacker of Lower Pompey, KY

Henry Richard (Coon) Pinion leaves behind a host of nephews and nieces who loved their Uncle Henry.

Henry Richard (Coon) Pinion will be sadly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

*“I am the resurrection and the life.
He who believes in Me,
Though he may die,
He shall live.”*

(John 11:25)

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Church	# of Ministers	Received by Baptism	Restored	Received by Letter	Recommendation	TOTAL GAIN
Canaan's Shore	5	0	0	0	1	1
G. Bennett Pilgrims Prayer	5	4	1	0	2	7
	11	13	2	0	10	25
TOTALS:	21	17	3	0	13	33

Church	Excluded	Removed by Request	Removed by Letter	Lost by Death	TOTAL LOSS	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP
Canaan's Shore	0	0	0	0	0	14
G. Bennett Pilgrims Prayer	1	0	1	0	2	58
	0	0	0	2	2	159
TOTALS:	1	0	1	2	4	231

Dedication

The Solid Rock Association of Old Time Baptists would like to dedicate the time and love that we shared in this effort to the memory of our loved ones that have stripped us and gone on home. We hope to see them again on our judgment day. Until then we will miss them and follow those steps that will lead us home also.

***Officers of the
Solid Rock Association
of Old Time Baptists
of Jesus Christ***



Daryl G. Newsom & Cullen Caudill
Moderator & Assistant Moderator



Thomas Pinion & Brandon Newsom
Clerk & Assistant Clerk