

MINUTES  
OF  
SESSION

CHRISTIANSBURG CHURCH.

## Rules for Sessions.

The following were adopted by the Presbytery of Montgomery, April 26th, 1889.

The Committee to examine the records of Sessions shall consider:—

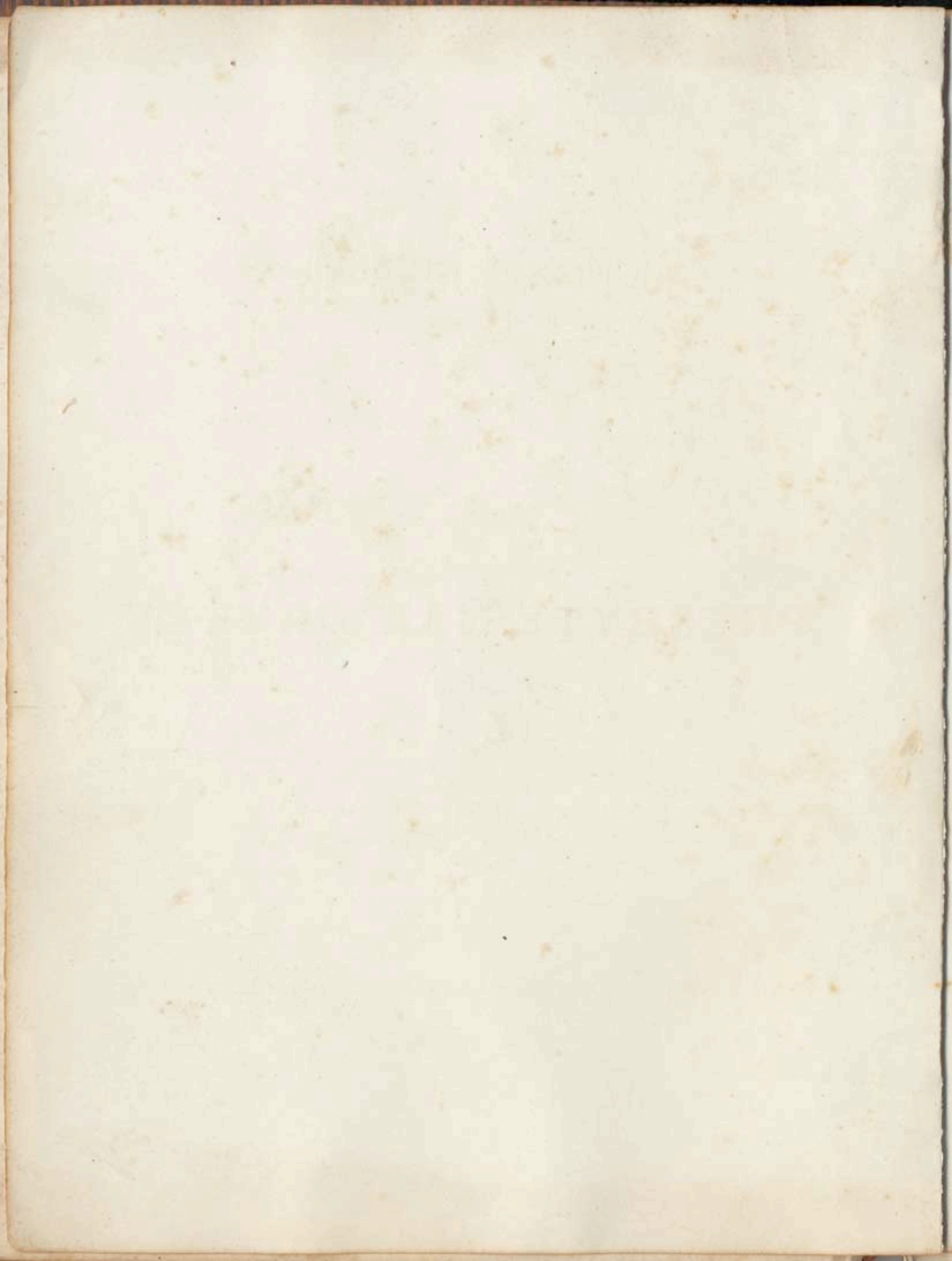
1. Whether the records are neatly kept, sufficiently explicit to enable the Presbytery readily to understand the transactions of the Sessions, and whether they are in all respects in accord with the law of the Church.
2. Whether the proceedings of the Board of Deacons have been annually reviewed.
3. Whether Representatives to Presbytery and Synod have been appointed, and whether, on their return, reports of their diligence have been required.
4. Whether quarterly meetings of the Sessions have been held.
5. Whether the Sessional reports to Presbytery ordered by the General Assembly have been adopted, read to the congregation and recorded.
6. Whether the meetings of Session are ordinarily opened and closed with prayer.
7. Whether the records have been read and approved.
8. Whether a Register of baptisms, of admissions to the Lord's table, and of deaths and dismissions, has been kept.
9. Whether in giving letters of dismissal the names of baptized children have been included.
10. Whether Sabbath Schools and Bible classes have been established, and are under the control of the Session.

These rules are to be printed by the Presbytery and furnished to every Session, to be pasted in the Record Book.

By order of the Presbytery.

P. B. PRICE,  
*Stated Clerk.*

(No 7)



MINUTES OF THE SESSION

OF THE

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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## PREFACE.

The "Form of Government" of the Presbyterian Church, in Chapter IX, Section VIII, directs that "*every Session shall keep a FAIR Record of its proceedings*; which record shall be, at least once in every year, submitted to the inspection of the Presbytery."

Notwithstanding this direction, great want of neatness and precision is found in every section of the Church, in the method of keeping these records. There is also a great lack of uniformity in the size and kind of books in which they are inscribed.

It is with the desire of aiding to do away these evils, by presenting to the Church a model volume of Sessional Records, that the Board of Publication has, at the request of a number of Ministers, and of Presbyteries, prepared this book. It should be kept by a Clerk appointed by the Session, and the entries be made in a neat and legible hand; the necessity for interlineations and corrections being carefully avoided.

A CHURCH REGISTRY has likewise been prepared. As it is not required to be annually carried to Presbytery for inspection and approval, and as it may not be filled at the same time with the book of Minutes, it seems best that it should usually be a separate volume. Still, the two may be obtained bound together or apart.

## Specimen of Records.

For the benefit of inexperienced Clerks of Sessions, we present the following, which will exhibit the proper method of making entries, upon a number of the commonest matters to be recorded.

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1859.  
Sept. 17th.

JOHNSVILLE, SEPT. 17, 1859.

The Session met at the Parsonage at 3 o'clock, P. M. Present, Rev. James S., the Moderator, with Elders John W., James S., and Thomas W. The meeting was opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Robert S. and Mrs. Eliza F. (wife of David) appeared before Session and were examined on their religious experience, when, having made a satisfactory profession of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, they were admitted to the sealing ordinance of the Lord's Supper. J. K. and T. R. after due examination, were admitted to the sealing ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

A free conversation was held upon the state of religion in the congregation, from which it appeared that there was much cause for gratitude and encouragement.

It having appeared that Common Fame charges Henry A. with unchristian conduct in several particulars, the Moderator and Elder W. were appointed a Committee to wait upon Mr. A. upon the subject, and report to the Session at its next meeting.

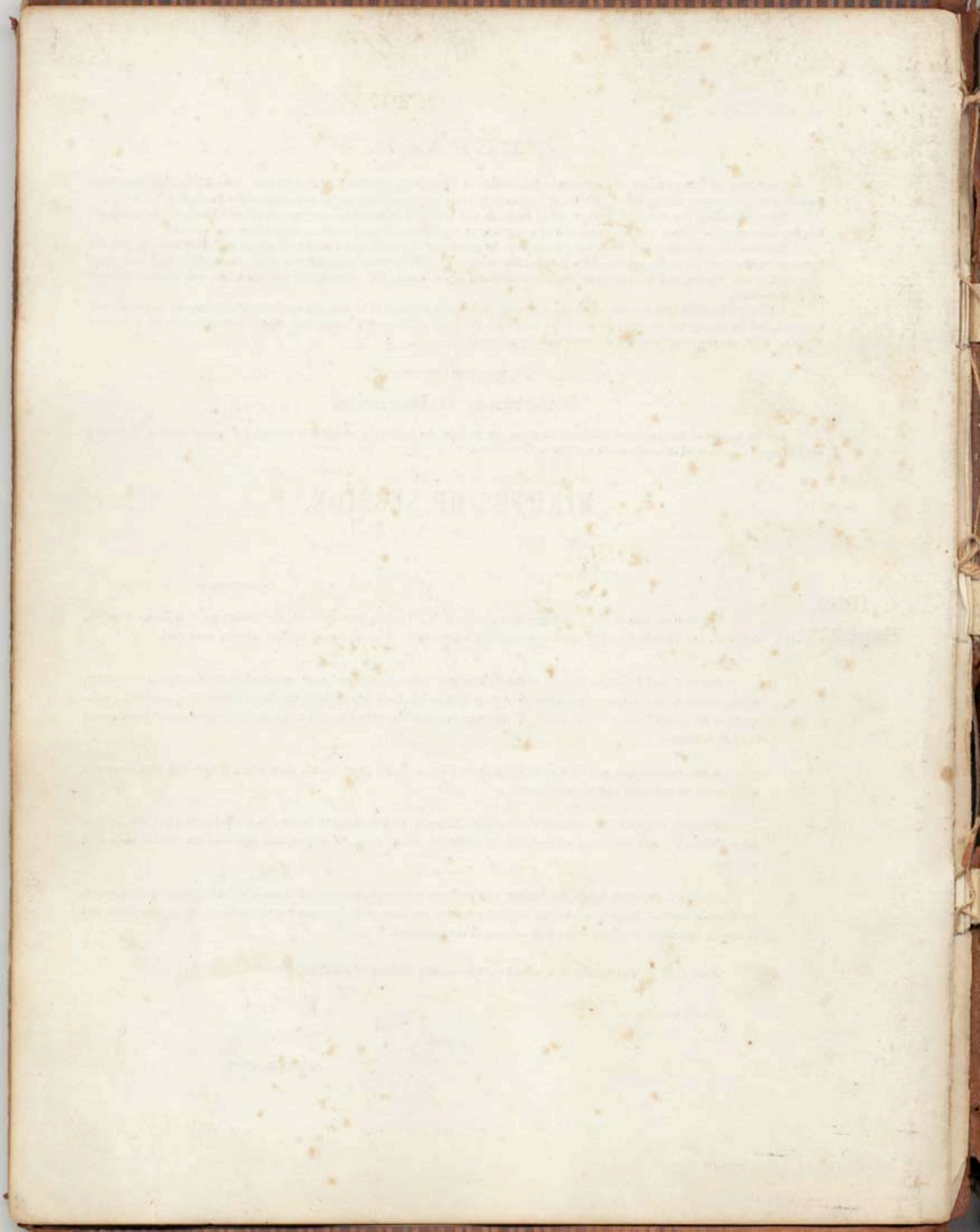
Charles T. appeared before the Session and preferred certain charges against Samuel L. After hearing the charges, the Session directed its clerk to give the accused a copy of the same, with the names of the witnesses to support them, and to cite all concerned to appear at the next meeting of the judicatory.

Elder John W. was appointed to attend the approaching meeting of the Presbytery.

Closed with prayer.

Signed,

JAMES S., Clerk.





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1869  
6<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1869 Present the Rev. F. W. Hooper Pastor, Joseph S. Eddis William B. Hagan, John S. Wade James M. Wade and Rice S. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer

William Smith was received as a member of this church, on certificate from the Session of the Powhatan church.

|| Mrs. Melinda B. Hagan and Miss Lockett equal members of this church, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, and at their own request dismissed as members in good and regular standing and most cordially recommended to the church of Bethel, in Augusta county, and when received by that church their connection with this church will cease.

|| John S. Wade Elder was appointed a delegate to attend the approaching meeting of the Presbytery, and Wm B. Hagan Elder his alternate.

|| The following statistical report was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

Admitted on examination	10	Sustentation	\$ 56.00
" " Certificate	5	Foreign Missions	73.40
Total of Communicants	210	Educative	54.81
Deaths	1	Presbyterial	20.00
Adults Baptised	4	Congregational	3010.54
Infants	7	Miscellaneous	125.00
Children in School	150		

Closed with prayer.

J. M. Hooper, Mod.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1869  
17<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1869  
Present The Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor. Joseph S. Edie, Wm C. Hagan, John S. Wade, James M. Wade & R. D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

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Mrs. Judie E. Gardner & Miss Mary C. Wilson were received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ, after due examination.

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John S. Wade Elder who was appointed delegate to represent this church in Presbytery, reported that he had performed that duty.

|| Closed with prayer.

J. W. Hooper, Mod.:

3<sup>rd</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1869  
Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor. Joseph S. Edie, Wm C. Hagan, John S. Wade and R. D. Montague Elders.  
Opened with prayer.

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Mrs. Minnie Schmoet was received as a member of this church on profession of her faith in Christ after due examination.

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Miss Eugene Musfey a member of this church in regular & good standing, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, at her own request dismissed, and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the <sup>first</sup> church at Knoxville and when received by that church, her relation to this church will cease.

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The Rev. J. W. Hooper, John L. Wade, John S. Wade, John Gardner, Robert L. Frigg, James W. Shields, Dr. Joseph Collins, and Arthur A. Phlegan are appointed Trustees for the Montgomery Male Academy for the ensuing year.

Rev. J. W. Hooper and R. D. Montague Elder are appointed a committee for the purpose of visiting Mrs. James Dene a member of this church, against whom reports have been circulated, calculated to injure her Christian character, and to ascertain the facts in the case and report to the Session.

Mr. W. H. S. Miller and Mrs. Mary Miller his wife, presented to the Session a testimonial from the Session of the Presbyterian Church at New Stone, dated September 21<sup>st</sup> 1856, certifying that they were members in regular & good standing in that Church, that it was their desire to remove to the County of Nicholas, in which there was no organized Church of our denomination, and desiring a testimonial, from the Session with a view to enjoying occasional Christian Communion, with such churches, as may be near them, and commending them affectionately to the fellowship of any church near which they may be occasionally thrown, till such time as they shall be dismissed by the Session of said Church, to join some Presbyterian Church, and they having in the Providence of God, been thrown within the bounds of this Church, without ever having been attached to any Church; and the Session being well acquainted with their Christian character, do hereby receive them as members of this Church; and the clerk of Session is directed to notify the Session of the Church at New Stone of their having united with this Church.

Closed with prayer.

J. W. Hooper, Moderator.

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1869  
31<sup>st</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church in Christianauburg, held on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1869. Present Rev. W. Hooper Pastor, Joseph Lewis, Wm B Hagan John Wade and P. D. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer.

The session made out a list of retired members, embracing members of the Church who never attend divine worship and who have removed beyond the bounds of the Congregation without taking letters of dismission, as appears in the book of this book page 288.

Resolved that the quarterly communion be held in this Church for the future on the first sabbaths in March, June, September and December, at which times the collection shall be taken for the four committees of the Church.

|| Closed with prayer.

|| W. Hooper Mod: -

4<sup>th</sup> September At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church in Christianauburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1869. Present Rev. W. Hooper Pastor; Wm B Hagan; John Wade and P. D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

|| The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

|| Mrs. Mary Edmondson late Miss Mary Richardson a member of this Church in regular & good standing having removed beyond the bounds of this church, is at her own request dismissed and most cordially recommended to the "White Horse" Church and

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and when received by that Church, his relation to this Church will cease.

// Mr. J. Oscar Rogers and Mr. Sumner Will Rogers who are members of this Church having removed beyond the bounds of the same, and at their own request dismissed, and commended to the fellowship of the first Church at Knoxville, and when received by that Church, their relation to this Church will cease.

// William M. C. Montague Elder, was appointed to attend the approaching meeting of Presbytery to be held at Covington, and S. J. Coover Elder alternate.

Resolved that no letter of dismission will be furnished to any member of this Church, until all arrears due to the Pastor, shall be paid or satisfactorily arranged.

// Closed with prayer.

J. M. Hooper, Moderator.

1869  
2<sup>nd</sup> October

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 1869.

Present Rev. J. M. Hooper, Pastor; Joseph Stevie, Wm. C. Rogers, John D. Wade and R. A. Montague Elders.  
Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last Session were read & approved.

// Mrs. Nancy Miller Moon was received as a member of this Church on letter of dismission from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Church at Richmond.

// Closed with prayer

J. M. Hooper, Mod.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1869  
10<sup>th</sup> October

At a meeting of the <sup>session of the</sup> Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 1869. Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan, J. J. Evans & R. D. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer.

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The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

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Miss Lydia W. Stephens was received as a member of this Church on profession of her faith in Christ.

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Session closed with prayer.

J. W. Hooper, Mod.

17<sup>th</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1869. Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor, and Joseph & John S. Wade James M. Wade, Wm. M. C. Montague and R. D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

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John S. Wade was appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the approaching meeting of Synod to be held in Richmond and also the annual meeting of Presbytery to be held during the meeting of Synod and Wm. M. C. Montague alternate.

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Closed with prayer

J. W. Hooper, Mod.

4<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 1869. Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor and Joseph & John S. Wade, Wm. C. Hagan, John S. Wade, Wm. M. C. Montague & Rice S. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer

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The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

|| Mrs May E Burwell Mrs Sue P Gardner, Mrs Catharine L Mursay, Mr Louis Morely, Mr John W B Burt were received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ.

|| Mr John Mursay produced to the session a letter from the Session of Lebanon Church, certifying that Mr Mursay left the bounds of that Church about the 1st of June 1868, that he was in good standing in that Church up to that time, he was also cordially commended to the Christian fellowship of the brethren with whom his lot should be cast; and it appearing to the session, that Mr Mursay had not since that time located permanently, and the session being acquainted with the Christian standing of Mr Mursay he was received as a member of this Church.

|| Rev John D Wade who was appointed a delegate to represent this Church in Synod at its meeting in Richmond reported that he attended the meeting of that body.

|| Wm Mc Montague, Elder resigned reasons for not attending the meeting of Presbytery held at Lexington, which were sustained as satisfactory.

|| Closed with prayer.

W. M. Hooper, Mod:—

1870  
5<sup>th</sup> March

|| At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1870  
Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor Joseph L. Edie William C. Hagan John D. Wade & R. S. Montague Elders  
Opened with prayer.

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The minutes of the last session were read & approved

Wm Gurnett & Booker Mrs Fannie Booker & Mr Robert Figgat were received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ after examination

John C. Wade tendered his resignation as Trustee of the Male Academy, which was accepted, and D. W. Frizzell was appointed in his place.

Closed with prayer.

J. M. Hooper, Mod.

1870  
16<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 1870 Present The Rev. J. M. Hooper. Pastors, Joseph Scain, William C. Hagar, John C. Wade, William M. C. Montague & Thos. D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer. Minutes of last session read & approved.

The following statistical report was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

Total in communion	173.	Foreign Missions	\$104.15.
Admitted on examination	14	Sustentation	\$172.00
" on certificates	3	Education	208.50
Off for retired members	47	Publications	197.04
Deaths	4	Commisarian Meetings	20.00
Dismissed	3	Widows & Orphans	24.25.
Infants Baptised	11	Congregational	1161.14
Adults	3	Miscellaneous	46.65.

Children in Sabbath school

& Bible class 158.

Reports on the State of religion & on the S. S. were also prepared & ordered to be forwarded.



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William M. C. Montague Elder was appointed a delegate to attend the approaching meeting of Presbytery to be held at Falling Spring Church on the 26<sup>th</sup> instant, and S. J. Evans Elder, his alternate.

// Closed with prayer.  
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W. M. Hooper.

Examined & Approved as far as written, with exception of order on Page 5. viz. "that no letters of dismission will be furnished to any member of this Church, until all arrears due to the pastor shall be paid or satisfactorily arranged".

Falling Spring April 28. 1870. P. B. Price Moderator  
Montgomery Presbytery

1870  
5<sup>th</sup> June

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christenbury held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1870 Present Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor. Joseph S. Edin, Wm. C. Hagan, John Wood, James M. Wade, Wm. M. C. Montague, and R. S. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

// The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

// Mr. James C. Moir and Mrs. Selma M. Moir were admitted as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ after an examination.

// Closed with prayer.  
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W. M. Hooper, Mod. -

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1870  
22<sup>nd</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christmading held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1870 Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor and Joseph B. Lodie, Wm. Blagau and R. D. Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

Mr. Maria F. Smoot a member of this church in regular and good standing, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, is at her own request dismissed, and most cordially recommended to the Church in Richmond, or such other church as in the providence of God, her lot may be cast.

Archib. A. Blagau deacon, and Wm. Blagau Elder are appointed a committee for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Treasurer; and make report to a joint meeting of the Session and Deacons to be held on Monday evening next.

Whereas it is commonly reported that Robert Figgatt a member of this church has been guilty of Intemperance, It is therefore ordered that R. D. Montague Elder be appointed a committee to confer with the said Robert Figgatt, on the subject, and report to the session the result of such conference.

Whereas it is commonly reported that James M. Wade a member of this church is in the habit of indulging too freely in the use of ardent spirits; It is therefore ordered that Dr. Joseph B. Lodie Elder be appointed a committee for the purpose of



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the great head of the Church will soon send you a  
Pastor, who will be more faithful & efficient, than I  
have ever been, I remain

Yours in Christ. D<sup>n</sup> J<sup>r</sup>  
J. W. Hooper.

On motion it was resolved that the request of the Pastor  
be granted.

Rev. St. Montague Elders, who was appointed a committee  
to confer with Robert Figgatt a member of this Church, on  
the subject of the charge of Intemperance, report it that  
he had seen Mr. Figgatt who acknowledged his guilt,  
but stated that he had been led astray by a few young  
persons, who supported at the time were his friends, that  
he had repented most sincerely for it, could had acted  
by the help of God, never to repeat it; The session after consulta-  
tion, directs that Mr. Figgatt be requested to meet the session  
on Wednesday evening next.

closed with prayer.

J. W. Hooper, Mod.

1870  
27<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the session of the Presbyterian Church  
at Christiansburg held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 1870  
Present the Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor, Joseph S. Loeis  
Wm. C. Hagan, John S. Wicks & D. St. Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

Robert Figgatt a member of this church against whom the  
charge of Intemperance has been made by common fame  
personally appeared before the session, and frankly acknowl-  
edged his guilt, and having given evidence of his repentance

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and having promised that he would not be guilty of the offence again, he was admonished by the pastor, and on motion it was resolved that no further action be taken in this case. It was further resolved that a public statement of this case be made before the congregation on next sabbath, to which the said Robert Figgatt readily consented.

// Closed with prayer.

J. W. Hooper, Mod. -

1870  
30<sup>th</sup> July

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of July 1870. Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor and Joseph Lodie John B. Wadett Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

// The minutes of the last session were read & approved.

// The committee appointed to visit Mr James M. Wade a ruling elder of this church in regard to the rumors affecting his moral & religious character, made a report that the duty had been discharged, that he confessed to having used spirituous liquors for a very violent & continued case of neuralgia, that occasionally he had been guilty of indiscretions, which had been a source of great mortification and sorrow, and that he had now resolved to abstain entirely from its further use; wherefore

Resolved that no further action be taken in the case.

// Closed with prayer.

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1870  
7<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870 in pursuance of public notice given two weeks previous for the purpose of meeting with the Rev. J. W. Hooper the Pastor of the church, ~~in a request~~ to Montgomery Presbytery to dissolve his Pastoral relation with the church (he having heretofore sent in his resignation)

The Rev. John C. Sullivan was requested to moderate the meeting which was opened with prayer.

The following paper was offered and adopted  
 Whereas we deeply regret that any circumstances should induce our beloved pastor the Rev. J. W. Hooper to seek a dissolution of the pleasant relations which have heretofore existed between him and this congregation; and whereas in the Providence of God, it becomes the painful duty of this Church to unite with him in his request to Presbytery to dissolve this pastoral relation which has now existed so long and so pleasantly.  
 Therefore be it resolved

1<sup>st</sup>. That while we bow humbly and submissively to the will of God in this matter, it is yet with no ordinary regret and sorrow we part with Brother Hooper who has gone in and out before us, with so much acceptance, has so faithfully divided the word of life to us, has with such fidelity and ability watched for souls among us, and that we are fully sensible of the loss we must sustain in being deprived of his earnest and efficient labors;

2<sup>nd</sup>. That we "commend him to God and the word of his Grace", follow him with our warmest affections and sympathies, and earnestly wish him all temporal felicity, great and

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increasing usefulness and the final plaudit of  
"Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into  
the joy of your Lord!"

3<sup>d</sup>. That R. D. Montague, Elder, is hereby appointed  
to represent this Church and convey to the  
Presbytery our reluctant consent that the relation  
of Mr. Hooper as Pastor of this Church be  
dissolved.

4<sup>th</sup>. That these resolutions and preamble be spread  
upon our sessional records and a copy of them  
be furnished to Mr. Hooper.

On motion this Congregational meeting was adjourned  
until next Sabbath after the morning services, and  
was dismissed with the Apostolic Benediction.

R. D. Montague, C. S.

1870  
14<sup>th</sup> August

At an adjourned meeting of the Congregation of  
the Presbyterian Church of Christianburg held  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870, Rev. John O.  
Sullivan was requested to moderate the meeting,  
which was opened by prayer.

The subject of the arrears of Salary due to Rev. J. W.  
Hooper, the Pastor of the Church was brought up  
for consideration whereupon on Motion of Elder  
J. J. Wade a Committee was appointed consisting  
of A. A. Phlegas, G. G. Jankin, William C. Hagan,  
J. W. Spindle, J. Mc Lyle, Wm. M. C. Montague, Thos. L.  
Montague and A. W. Shields and instructed to  
collect at once as far as possible in money and  
notes the subscriptions now due and unpaid for the  
current quarter, and then after ascertaining the  
amount still in arrears to apportion the said arrears.

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among the solvent subscribers to Pastors Salary in proportion to their several subscriptions, collect the same and make such additional collections and settlements as may be necessary to a prompt and final liquidation of this debt.

The meeting was then dismissed with the Benediction.  
R. D. Montague. C.S.

1870  
16<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870 Present Rev. J. W. Hooper Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan and R. D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

William C. Hagan is hereby appointed a delegate to represent this Church in a called meeting of Presbytery to be held in this place on this day.

closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague. C.S.

21<sup>st</sup> August

At a meeting of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Christiansburg held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1870, Ransom and William J. Wilhelm of Blacksburg Church being present was requested to moderate the meeting.

Opened with prayer.

On motion of J. J. Wade it was resolved that this Congregation do hereby pledge as a salary to the next pastor of this Church, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.) per annum payable quarterly in advance. And the use of the parsonage.



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The Congregation then proceeded to the election of a pastor, two weeks notice having been previously given, whereupon the Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D. D. was unanimously elected pastor of this Church.

On motion of Col J. J. Wade it was resolved that a Committee be appointed to visit the members of the Congregation and procure subscriptions to the salary of the pastor. The appointment was postponed to a called meeting tomorrow at 8 A. M.

A motion was made that the Board of Deacons be authorized to employ the services of a Collector to collect the salary to be subscribed; Lost.

Adjourned to 8 A. M. tomorrow with benediction.  
R. D. Montague C. S.

1870  
28<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Christiansburg held in pursuance of previous notice on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870, the Rev. James N. Lewis, being present, his counsel and assistance was requested as moderator.

Opened with prayer. Mr. Lewis was prevented from preaching & sermon from indisposition.

On motion it was resolved that the action of the meeting last Sabbath, August 21<sup>st</sup>, electing Rev Dr. Witherspoon pastor of this Church be reconsidered whereupon it was resolved that this Congregation proceed to the election of a pastor, and the Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D. D. was then unanimously elected Pastor of this Church. On motion it was resolved that a call be drawn in due form and subscribed by Joseph S. Edis and William M. C. Montague a Committee appointed to sign the same for and on behalf of the Congregation and the same were also appointed Commissioners to prosecute the call before Montgomery Presbytery.  
R. D. Montague Secy

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1870  
28<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1870 Present Joseph L Edie, William C Hagan John Wade William M<sup>c</sup>Montague Jonathan T Lewis, and Rice D. Montague Elders. It being inconvenient to procure the services of a Minister to moderate the session; S Joseph L Edie Elder was requested to preside. Session opened with prayer.

Rice D. Montague Elder was appointed delegate to attend the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Blacksburg on the 31<sup>st</sup> Instant and William C Hagan alternate.

The report on the state of religion was prepared, and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague. C. S.

1870  
23<sup>rd</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1870 Present Rev. J. D. Witherspoon S. D. Pastor Elect. Joseph L Edie Wm C Hagan John S Wade James M Wade and R D Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

William C Hagan Elder was appointed to represent this Church in the meeting of Synod to be held in Fredericksburg on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of November next, and R. D. Montague Elder was appointed alternate.

Session closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon  
Moderator

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1870  
13<sup>th</sup> November At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg held on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1870  
Present Rev. F. D. Wetherspoon & D. Pastor Elect, Joseph S.  
Kedzie, Wm. C. Hagan, John S. Wade James M. Wade &  
R. S. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

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Mrs. Lucille G. Ledy a member of this church in good and  
regular standing, is at her own request dismissed to  
unite with the church Rev. W. M. Munkland is Pastor in  
Dallimore, to which she is affectionately commended,  
and when received by that church, her peculiar  
relation to this will cease.

||  
Capt. W. M. Locke and Mrs. Mary S. Locke members of this  
church, having removed beyond the bounds of the same  
more than twelve months since, and having failed to  
apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore. Now  
makes application for such certificate. The Session therefore  
certifies that from the time they converted themselves with  
this church, until their removal, they were in good &  
regular standing, which is ordered to be certified to  
the church in Dallimore of which the Rev. W. M. Munkland  
is Pastor. Closed with prayer.

F. D. Wetherspoon

Moderator

23<sup>rd</sup> November At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1870.  
Present the Rev. F. D. Wetherspoon & D. Pastor Elect and  
William C. Hagan Wm. M. C. Montague and Rice S.  
Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Mrs. Letitia W. Hooper, a member of this church in good & regular  
standing, is at her own request dismissed to unite with the

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Second Presbyterian Church at Lynchburg, to which she is affectionately commended, and when received by that Church, her peculiar relation to this will cease.

// Closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

1870  
4<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 1870 Present the Rev. J. D. Witherspoon S. D., Pastor elect, Joseph S. Odier, Wm. B. Hagan, James M. Wade, John S. Wade & R. D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

// Mr. John Murray & Mrs. Catharine S. Murray his wife members of this Church in good and regular standing, are at their own request dismissed, to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Liberty, to which they are affectionately commended, and when received by that Church their peculiar relation to this will cease.

// Closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

17<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1870. Present the Rev. J. D. Witherspoon S. D., Pastor elect, Joseph S. Odier, Wm. B. Hagan, John S. Wade & R. D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

// The proceedings of the last four meetings of the Session were read & approved, and there being no further business the Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

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1870  
31<sup>st</sup> December At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ-  
iansburg held on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1870 Present the  
Rev. F. D. Witherspoon D.D. Pastor Elect, Wm C Hagan John  
I Wade and Rice D. Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

// On motion it was resolved, that the clerk of Session be  
authorized to grant letters of dismission to persons applying  
for the same, who have not been removed beyond the bounds  
of the congregation for more than twelve months, and against  
whom nothing derogatory is known against their Christian  
character, subject to the ratification of the session

// Rice D. Montague Elder is appointed a committee to wait  
upon G. V. Booker a member of this church, who is charged  
by public fame to have indulged too freely in the use of  
ancient spirits. Closed with prayer.  
F. D. Witherspoon Mod.

1871  
5<sup>th</sup> February At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February 1871  
Present the Rev. F. D. Witherspoon D.D. Pastor Elect,  
Joseph S. Odier, Wm C Hagan, John I Wade and  
Rice D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer

// Miss Bettie McCurt a member of this church having  
removed beyond the bounds of the same, for more  
than 12 months, and having failed to apply for a  
certificate of dismission hitherto, now makes applica-  
tion for such certificate; The session certifies that  
from the time she connected herself with this church  
until her removal she was in good & regular

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standings which is ordered to be certified to the Presbyterian church at Laurel Hill.

// Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Minor late Miss Mary Elizabeth Howe a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the same for more than 12 months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate; The session therefore certifies that from the time she connected herself with this church, until her removal, she was in good and regular standing, which is ordered to be certified to the Presbyterian church at Bethesda near Charlottesville.

// Closed with prayer

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

1871  
18<sup>th</sup> March

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian church at Christ Church held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1871 Present The Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D.D. the Pastor Elders. William C. Hagan John S. Wade Wm. M. C. Montague and Rice S. Montague Elders. opened with prayer.

// Mrs. Grace F. Miller late Grace F. Minor a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the same for more than 12 months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore now makes application for such certificate. The session therefore certifies that from the time she connected herself with this church until her removal, she was in good and regular standing which is ordered to be certified to any Presbyterian church in the bounds of which God may cast her lot.

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Wm. Mammie Micon late Miss Wallace's Searcy, a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the same, ~~at her own request~~ <sup>at her own request</sup> dismissed to unite with such Presbyterian Church in ~~the vicinity~~ <sup>the vicinity</sup> ~~of~~ which God in his providence may cast her lot. The sepa<sup>r</sup> certifies that she was in good regular standing in the church.

|| Rice S. Montague Elder <sup>who</sup> was appointed to confer with G. V. Postler a member of this church in relation to certain reports in circulation about him, made a verbal report, and his appointment is continued.

|| Miss Bettie Hagan a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the same, for more than 12 months and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission. It is ordered that <sup>her name</sup> be placed on the retired list.

closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

1871  
7th April

|| At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 7th day of April 1871 Present The Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D.D. the Pastor Elect, William McE. Montague and Rice S. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

|| Mrs. Mary Ann Shep and Miss Julia Ann Shep were received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination and the ordinance of Baptism was administered to them

|| closed with prayer.

J. D. Witherspoon Mod.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1871  
8th April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christianaburg held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1871  
Present the Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D.D. Pastor Elect  
Joseph H. Davis, Wm. C. Hagan, John S. Wade Rices  
& Montague Elders.

The Session was opened with prayer

|| The minutes of the last five sessions were read & approved

|| Thomas E. Sullivan a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the congregation, and whose name was placed on the list of retired members having returned with a view of remaining permanently  
It is ordered that his name be placed on the list of active members.

|| Ezekiel L. Pierce was united as a member of this church on profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

|| Rices & Montague Elder was appointed a delegate to represent this congregation in Presbytery to be held at High Bridge Church on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May next, & Wm. C. Hagan Elder was appointed his alternate.

|| It is ordered that Session take a recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

|| 9<sup>th</sup> April 1871. The session met after recess, and there being no business to attend to, adjourned  
closed with prayer.

R. S. Montague Ec.



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1871  
10<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg, held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 1871. Present  
The Rev. F. D. Witherpoon D. D. Pastor Elect, Joseph H. Cain  
William B. Hagan, John H. Wade & Rice S. Montague  
Elders. Opened with prayer.

// On consultation; It was resolved that ~~the~~ Session take a  
recess until 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock on Saturday evening next.

// Saturday evening 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock 10<sup>th</sup> April 1871  
Session met <sup>after</sup> recess and on motion took a recess until  
Sunday evening

16<sup>th</sup> April

// Sunday evening April 16<sup>th</sup> 1871.  
Session again met, and having no business to  
transact adjourned. Closed with prayer  
R. S. Montague. S

28<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg, held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 1871 Present  
the Rev. F. D. Witherpoon D. D. Pastor Elect, and Wm  
B. Hagan and Rice S. Montague Elders.  
The Session was opened with prayer.

// On motion it was resolved, that Rice S. Montague  
Elder be appointed a committee to prepare a  
report for Presbytery on the state of religion within  
the bounds of this congregation.

// The Session then took a recess until Sunday morning  
the 30<sup>th</sup> instant

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1871  
30<sup>th</sup> April

Sunday morning April 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

After recess the session met. The Pastor elect being prevented from being present by sickness. W. D. Montague Elder was requested to act as Moderator. Present were Wade Wills, Hagar Lane, W. Wade and Wm. M. C. Montague Elders.

The following statistical report was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery embracing a period of twelve months from the 1st of this month

Added on Annuitants	5	Sustentation	\$86.50
" on certificate	"	Foreign missions	39.06
Total in communion	150	Education	50.00
Infants Baptized	7	Publication	35.00
Adults	1	Disabled ministry	
Deaths	1	Special	44.00
Dismissed	11	Pastor's salary paid	\$1000
Children in the Bible		Congregational	115.30
Chapel & Sabbath school	164	Miscellaneous	91.00

Rico D. Montague Elder who was appointed a committee to prepare a report on the state of religion in the branch of the congregation made a report which was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

A report on the Sabbath school was prepared and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The Session then adjourned. Closed with prayer  
W. D. Montague Mod. Pro. Tem.

Examined and approved as far as written with the following exceptions to wit that on page 21 the clerk of the session is authorized to grant certificates of dismission to persons who apply.

Wm. H. Wilhelm Mod.

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1871  
8<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1871  
Present Rev. J. D. Wetherpoon D. D. Stated supply.  
Joseph Swain J. Swain Wm M. C. Montague & Wm C. Hagan. <sup>Elders</sup> Session was opened with prayer.  
R. D. Montague the clerk of Session being absent, Wm C. Hagan was appointed clerk pro tem.

The Rev. David Blair having visited the congregation at the request of the Session, preached several times, with as it is believed general acceptance; It was resolved by the members of the Session present, in the event of other members thereof concurring when consulted to appear next Sabbath week (the 10<sup>th</sup> instant), as the time for a congregational meeting, to consider the question, if they may be desirous of electing him the Pastor of this Church, and that notice thereof be given from the pulpit on tomorrow.

The Session then took a recess until tomorrow.  
Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

The Session again met

Present the Rev. J. D. Wetherpoon D. D. Stated supply  
Jonathan Swain. Wm M. C. Montague. Wm C. Hagan  
John Swain & R. D. Montague & James M. Wade  
Elders. The Elders who were absent on yesterday having expressed their entire concurrence in the views of those present on yesterday, Dr. Wetherpoon was desired to give notice to the congregation from the pulpit on to day, of the meeting on next Sabbath to consider the question of electing a Pastor for this church.

Session then took another recess until after public worship. After public worship, there being no further business, the Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague Secy.

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1871  
16<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held in the Church on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1871, in pursuance of previous notice. The Rev. J. D. Witherspoon D. D. Stated Supply was requested to preside.

The Congregation proceeded to elect a Pastor for this church; whereupon the Rev. Daniel Blair of Lexington Presbytery was unanimously elected. The Congregation pledge him the sum of one thousand dollars salary, to be paid quarterly in advance with the rise of the mowse, during the term of his continuance as Pastor. A call was then made out and signed by the members of the Congregation present, with the understanding that it was to be presented to the absent members for their signature. Judge John A. Lytle and Ricard Montague were appointed a Committee to prosecute said call.

A. A. Phlegan Esq. offered a series of resolutions, and submitted the question of their adoption to the Congregation; whereupon they were unanimously adopted and are as follows.

Be it resolved by the members of the Presbyterian Church in Christiansburg, in congregational meeting assembled.

That it is with deep regret & sorrow that we feel called upon to elect another as our minister in spiritual things in the room of our dearly beloved J. D. Witherspoon.

That we bow with humble submission to the Providence which calls him from us, when we remember that our loss may be his gain.

That we now & hereby desire to testify our heartfelt thanks to God for bringing him among us even

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for a short time, and to assure our dear Minister that his labors have not been in vain, but that our hearts have been refreshed at his coming, and that our joy has been strengthened in his labors; that we will ever pray Gods richest blessing on him and his; that his health may be renewed; that his spiritual strength and zeal may ever increase, and that long peaceful joy may ever attend his useful life; and that if in Gods Providence it may be so, we will gladly welcome him back again, in the full vigor of manhood as our Pastor & Guide.

That these resolutions be spread upon the Church records, and that the Secretary be requested to furnish a copy to D. Witherpoon.

R. D. Montague. Clerk Session

1871  
5<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August 1871. Present the Rev. F. D. Witherpoon D. D. Stated Supply. Joseph Scobie, Wm. Stagan and Rice D. Montague Elders. The Session was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting of Session, and the minutes of the Congregational meeting were read & approved.

Miss Susan With is a member of this Church in good & regular standing, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, is at her own request dismissed, and cordially recommended to the First Presbyterian Church in Richmond.

Closed with prayer. R. D. Montague. C. S.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1871  
2<sup>nd</sup> September

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiesburg held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1871. Present Joseph S. Edie, Wm. H. Hagan and Pious D. Montague, Elders.

There being no ministers belonging to this Synodary convenient, William H. Hagan to wit was requested to moderate the Session.

Session was opened with prayer.

The minutes of last Session were read & approved.

Pious D. Montague, Elder was appointed delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of the Synodary to be held at Beulah Church on the 1<sup>st</sup> of December. Wm. H. Hagan, Moderator.

Pious D. Montague, Elder was appointed a committee to prepare a written constitution for the Synodary; who shall report to the Session at a meeting to be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> of January coming next.

Session was closed with prayer.

Pious D. Montague, S. C.

6<sup>th</sup> September

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiesburg held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 1871. Present Joseph S. Edie, Wm. H. Hagan and Pious D. Montague, Elders.

There being no Presbyterian ministers convenient, Wm. H. Hagan was requested to moderate the Session.

Session was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last Session were read & approved.

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Rice & Montague Elders who was appointed at the last meeting of the Session a committee to prepare a report of the state of religion in the bounds of this church & made a report which was approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

|| The report of the Sunday school was also made out and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

|| Closed with prayer. D. D. Montague, Secy.

1871  
17<sup>th</sup> September

|| At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christicumbury held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1871.

Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor Elect, Joseph S. Edwin Wm. C. Hagan and Rice & Montague Elders.

The Rev. Daniel Blair the Pastor Elect was requested to moderate the session. Opened with prayer.

|| Mrs. Polly Curtis a member of this church, having resided beyond the bounds of the same for more than 12 months and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate. The Session therefore certifies that from the time she connected herself with the church, until her removal she was in good and regular standing which is ordered to be certified to the Presbyterian Church at Glades Spring.

|| Closed with prayer. D. D. Montague Secy.

1<sup>st</sup> October

|| At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christicumbury held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1871. Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor Elect, J. S. Edwin, Wm. C. Hagan, John D. Wade & D. D. Montague & Rice & Montague Elders.

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The Rev. Daniel Blein the Pastor elect being present was requested to moderate the session  
 // Opened with prayer.

Rev. D. Montague Elder was appointed a delegate to represent this church in the meeting of Synod, which met in Lynchburg on the 18<sup>th</sup> of this month and Joseph Eddie was appointed alternate.

// Closed with prayer.

// R. D. Montague C. S.

The Rev. Daniel Blein was on this 1st day of October 1871 installed the Pastor of this church  
 R. D. Montague C. S.

1871  
 4<sup>th</sup> November

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1871 Present the Rev. Daniel Blein Pastor Joseph Eddie Wm. Hogan and Rev. D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

// The minutes of the last two meetings of Session were read and approved.

// Rev. D. Montague Elder who was appointed a delegate to represent this church in the last meeting of Presbytery and Synod, reported that he had performed the duty required of him.

// Session adjourned closed with prayer  
 R. D. Montague C. S.



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1871  
11<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1871 Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, Wm C Hagan Joseph S Edin and Rice S Montague Elders.  
Session was opened with prayer.

The following persons came before the Session and signified their wish to attach themselves to this church to wit Ella Price, Lucy Price, Lucy Hobson, Lizzie Hobson, Sofia Weddell, Lu Hagan, Mollie Gardner, Bettie Gardner, Mary S Montague, Annie Kyle, Sally Kyle, Mollie Sifcombs, Francis Liffman, Mollie Tucker, Lucy Holman, Ella Gruber, Ella Mason, Joseph Blumstein & Wm Miller, who were received under the care of the Session with a view to their being received into full membership hereafter.

Session was closed with prayer.  
R. S. Montague Secy.

1872  
6<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 1872. Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, Wm C Hagan, Joseph S Edin, John S Wade & Rice S Montague Elders.

The Session was opened with prayer.

Professor Charles Martin & Mrs. Margaret Martin his wife, having produced to the Session a certificate from the College Church, commending them cordially and affectionately to their Christian fellowship & communion of this church, they were received on members of the same.

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Miss Lucy Rice, Miss Ella Rice, Miss Lucy A. Hobson  
Miss Lillie Kyle, Miss Ella M. Mair, Miss Isabella  
Lee Hagan, Miss Mary Lewis Montague, Miss Mary E.  
Gardner, Miss Sepia Woodsell, Miss Ella Spindle,  
Miss Bettie E. Gardner and Mr. A. A. Hobson, Mr.  
Robert M. Gardner, Mr. James Figg, Mr. W. A. M.  
W. Hagan were received as members of  
this church on profession of their faith in  
Christ, after due examination.

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Mrs. Louisa Roucher a member of this church made  
application to the Session for a certificate of dis-  
missal to unite with the Presbyterian Church  
at Morristown in Tennessee, which was declined  
upon the grounds, that she had removed beyond  
the bounds of this church for several years before  
this application was made, and for the further  
reason that for two or three years previous to her  
removal she altogether failed to attend upon the  
occurrences of the church. The clerk of the session  
is directed to communicate the action of the  
session to Mrs. Roucher, and to the Session of the  
Church at Morristown.

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The Session then took a recess until 10 o'clock  
tomorrow morning.

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January 7<sup>th</sup> 1872 after recess the Session met  
Present Rev. Dennis Pleasr. Pastor, Wm. Hagan  
John Wade and Rice D. Montague Elders.  
Opened with prayer

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Miss Mary M Snyder Miss Marnie W Lipscomb and Miss Lucy G Holman were received as members of this church in profession of their faith in Christ, after due examination.

// Closed with prayer.

R. S. Montague Clerk Session.

1872  
3<sup>rd</sup> February

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 1872  
Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, Wm C. Hagan, Joseph S. Eccie, Wm M. C. Montague and Rice S. Montague Elders.  
The Session was opened with prayer.

// It was ordered to be certified that George Flunk is a member of this church, in good and regular standing, and as such is at his own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Weytheville, to whose Christian fellowship and communion he is cordially and affectionately commended; and when thus united with that church his peculiar relation to this church will cease.

// Closed with prayer.

R. S. Montague C. S.

7<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1872.

Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor and Wm C. Hagan John S. Eccie, Wm M. C. Montague & R. S. Montague Elders

// Rev. W. F. Wilburn being present was invited to sit with the Session.  
Opened with prayer

// Miss Ann M. Kyle Miss Minnie A. Pepper & Mr. William M. C. Miller were received as members of the church in profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

It is ordered to be certified that Miss Sophie Woodhall is a member of this church, in good and regular standing, and as such is at her own request dismissed to unite with the College Church to whose Christian fellowship and communion she is most cordially and affectionately commended, and when united with that church her peculiar relation to this church will cease.

|| Mrs Margaret F. Baycut a member of this church, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, for more than 2 months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate; The session therefore certifies that from the time she connected herself with the church until her removal she was in good and regular standing, which is ordered to be certified to the several Presbyterian Church at Lynchburg.

|| Deat Joseph Davis and John Wade Elders of this church, having been heretofore informally appointed a committee to confer with James W. Shields a member of this church in relation to his personal piety and relation to the church; John A. Weaver one of the committee made a verbal report. Whereupon it was considered by the session, that no steps would be taken at present in his case; and the Pastor of the church was requested to confer with the said J. W. Shields on the subject.

|| The session then adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. D. Montague. C. S.

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1872  
21<sup>st</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church, held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1872 Present the Rev. Daniel Bacon Pastor, and Wm C Hagan, James W. Wade and Rice D. Montague Elders. The session was opened with prayer.

The last four meetings of the Session were read & approved.

W<sup>m</sup> Margaret Mendenhall, late Margaret Kyle a member of this Church, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, for more than 12 months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate. The Session therefore certifies that from the time she connected herself with the Church until her removal, she was in good and regular standing which is ordered to be certified to the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg.

Rice D. Montague Elder was appointed to attend the meeting of Montgomery Presbytery to be held in Salem on the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant. and Wm C Hagan Elder was appointed alternate.

The Session then adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. D. Montague. Secy.

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The following statistical report was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery embracing a period of twelve months from the 1st April 1871.

Added or re-annointed	21	Sustentation	\$81.60
Added on certificate	2	Foreign Missions	\$70.00
Total communicants	168	Education	\$65.05
Adults Baptised	7	Publication	\$40.86
Infants	1	Disabled Ministers	
Children in sub-school	116	and several Orphan	
		of Ministers	\$45.00
		Pastors salary paid	\$1000-
		Congregational	\$200
		Miscellaneous	\$238.98
			\$72.55

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R. D. Montague Sec. Supior

The Committee on the records of the Session of of the Christiansburg Church recommend their approval as far as written with the following exception viz on page 34, a letter of dismission was refused on the ground that the member applying for it had been absent for several years, and that for two or three years previous to his removal, she had altogether failed to attend upon the Ordinances of the Church. The exception is made because Chap XI Sec 4<sup>th</sup> of our Discipline entitles any absent Member not under Discipline to receive a Certificate of good standing up to the time of removal

Dan. Blair  
Mod<sup>r</sup>

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1872  
29<sup>th</sup> June

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1872 Present the Rev. Daniel Plain Pastor, S. Mathew, Deacons, Ellison C. August and Joseph Steiner and Rice D. Montague Elders  
The Session was opened with prayer.

The next meeting of the Session was

The records of the last meeting of the Session was read & approved

Mr Joseph A. Clintock produced to the Session a certificate from the Rev. Pitt Woodruff, Pastor in charge of the Methodist Church South Orange, N. J., of his being a worthy and acceptable member of that Church with a view of committing himself to this Church; on motion Mr. Clintock was received as a member of this Church.

The Session having heretofore declined giving to Mrs. Louisa Roucher a certificate of dismission upon the ground that she had removed beyond the bounds of this Church for several years before the application was made, and for the further reason that for two or three years previous to her removal she attended to attend upon the ordinances of the Church, and Presbytery having sustained exceptions to the action of the Session; The Session under the direction of the Presbytery certify that Mrs. Roucher was a member of this Church in good and regular standing and is recommended to the Church at Martinsburg

to hold with prayer.

R. D. Montague. Mod.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1872  
21<sup>st</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1872  
Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, James M. Wade and R. D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

On motion R. D. Montague Elder was appointed a committee to visit M. J. Lynch & Slides a member of this church, and request her to appear before the Session at some suitable time, and that he converse with her on the subject of personal religion.

Closed with prayer. R. D. Montague C. S.

26<sup>th</sup> August

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1872  
Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, Joseph & Estie Williams & Hagan and William M. C. Montague Elders.  
Session was opened with prayer.

On motion it was resolved that Arthur A. Phlegan & George J. Jenkins be appointed a committee to raise a sum of money due from this church to David Degeule and that they make report to the Session.

Wm. M. C. Montague Elder was appointed a delegate to represent this church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at Giles Court House on the 25<sup>th</sup> inst and R. D. Montague Elder was appointed alternate.

Closed with prayer. R. D. Montague C. S.



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1872  
8<sup>th</sup> September At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 1872  
Present Rev. David Blair Pastor. Wm. B. Hagan & Rice S.  
Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

It is ordered to be certified that Miss Mary M. Snyder  
is a member of this church in good & regular standing &  
as such is at her own request dismissed to unite with  
the Presbyterian Church at Salem, to whose Christian  
fellowship and communion she is most cordially  
and affectionately commended, and when united  
with that church, her peculiar relation to this  
church will cease.

It is ordered to be certified that Professor Charles  
Martin and Mrs. Margaret Martin his wife are  
members of this church, in good and regular stand-  
ing, and as such are at their own request dismissed  
to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg  
to whose Christian fellowship and communion they  
are most cordially and affectionately commended,  
and when united with that church, their peculiar  
relation to this church will cease.

Closed with prayer. R. D. Montague, Secy.

12<sup>th</sup> October At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church  
at Christiansburg held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 1872  
Present Rev. David Blair Pastor, William B. Hagan  
and Rice S. Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

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Miss Lucy Shields appeared before the Session according to the request made through the clerk of session. She expressed as she had done in private to the Pastor her fears that she had an unregenerate heart, and her desire to leave her connection with the Church dissolved on that account. The Session after full conversation and prayer with her, decided unanimously that it was inexpedient to take any action in the case, in as much as there had been no offence committed, it seemed to be nothing more indicated in her experience than such temptation and transient darkness of spirit as all God's people are liable to suffer; In this action she assented.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague Eld

1872  
4<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1872 Present Rev. Daniel B. Bain Pastor, William C. Hagan and Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

John F. Wade Elder was appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the meeting of Synod which meets in Baltimore on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of this month; and William C. Montague Elder was appointed alternate.

Session closed with prayer

R. D. Montague Eld

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1872  
7<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Chittibanding held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 1872 Present the Rev<sup>d</sup>. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Joseph S. Stein, William C. Hagan, John I. Wade and Rice S. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last four meetings of Session, were read & approved with the exception, that on page 46 at a meeting of Session held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August 1872, an order was made appointing, A. A. Phlegan and J. J. Junkin a committee to raise a sum of money due from this church to David Reynolds which order was not intended to be entered on the minutes.

A certificate of dismission having been granted to Mrs. Malinda Charleston and Miss Lottie Charleston on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1869, to unite with the Bethel Church in Livingston Presbytery, was returned to the Session, with the request, that their names be again enrolled on the list of members of this church; and it appearing that they had never united with the Bethel church, their request was granted.

John I. Wade Elder who was appointed a delegate to the Synod which was held in Baltimore reported that he had attended the meeting of said Synod, in pursuance of his appointment.

Session closed with prayer.

R. S. Montague. C. S.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1873  
1st March

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 1st day of March 1873. Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, and Wm M. C. Montague & Rice S. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Whereas on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1872 Miss Sophie Weddell a member of this Church was dismissed to unite with the College Church, and it appearing to the Session that before she received a certificate of such dismissal she removed to Columbia South Carolina; Her certificate therefore being returned, she is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Church at Columbia South Carolina, to whose Christian fellowship & communion she is most cordially and affectionately commended and when united to that Church her peculiar relation to this Church will cease.

Ms. Margaret J. Martin a member of this Church in good & regular standing, is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Peaker Church, to whose Christian fellowship & communion she is most cordially & affectionately <sup>commended</sup> and when united with that Church her peculiar relation to this Church will cease.

Session adjourned with prayer.

R. S. Montague. C. S.

5<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873 Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, and William Hagan, John S. Wade and Rice S. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

The minutes of the last session were read & approved

Doct. Joseph Sedie was appointed a delegate to represent this church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held in this place on the 6<sup>th</sup> Instant, and William Chagans alternate.

Doct Joseph Sedie was appointed to visit Mrs. Hannah Cummins with a view to her spiritual welfare.

John Wade was appointed to visit Mrs. Leonard and to have a conversation with her on the subject of her spiritual welfare.

The following statistical report was adopted & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery, embracing a period of 12 months from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1872.

Added on Examination	3	Sustained also on	\$36.00
Added on certificate	3	Foreign Missions including	
Total in communion	146	Sunday school contribution	\$2.00
Adults Baptized	1	Education	59.00
Infants Baptized	6	Publication	54.00
Children in Sabbath school	1125	Disabled ministers, widows	
		and orphan of ministers	\$34.00
		Pastor salary paid	\$1000.00
		Rent of Parsonage	\$200.00
		Congregational	\$483.00
		Miscellaneous	\$45.00

Mrs. Catharine M. Montague & Mary J. Montague members of this church in good regular standing were at their own request dismissed to the Presbyterian church at Bristol.

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On examination of the Roll, it is ordered that the following members be placed on the retired list to wit Miss Selzina Selane, Mr Cabanis G. Washart, Mr Joseph J. Millers, Mrs Mary J. Stone, Mr James G. Crush, Mr Charles A. Page, Mrs Mary E. Brewell, Mr Louis Mosely John N. B. Davidson, Mrs Sarah Brackett, Miss Rebecca Brackett, Miss Lydia Brackett, Miss Mary N. Brackett, and Miss Esther Brackett & Robert Figgat

// Session closed with prayer.  
W. D. Montague, Secy.

// Examined and approved by Presbytery at Christiansburg April 18 1873.  
J. G. Shepperson, Mod.

1873  
20<sup>th</sup> April

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873. Present the Rev. Daniel Bair, Pastor Joseph S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagar, John W. Adams & Wm. D. Montague Elders.  
Session was opened with prayer.

// Mrs. Harriet Miller Moon a member of this church, having resided beyond the bounds of the same for more than twelve months and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate. The session certifies that from the time she connected herself with this church until her removal she was in good & regular standing, which is ordered to be certified to the Presbyterian Church at Brandon Mississippi.

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Mrs Julia Co Folger produced to the Session a certificate of dismission from the Congregational Church at Centerville Massachusetts as a member in good and regular standing, and desired to connect herself with this church, and the Session being well acquainted with her Christian character and deportment, received her as a member of this church without the usual examinations.

Session was closed with prayer

R. D. Montague. Secy.

1873  
3<sup>rd</sup> May

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1873 Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, and Richard P. Jones and Rice D. Montague Elders. The Rev. G. A. Miller being present was invited to act as corresponding member. Session was opened with prayer.

D. Thomas Gibbon and Mrs. Emma M. Gibbon his wife were received as members of this church, on profession of their faith in Christ, after a satisfactory examination.

Session was closed with prayer

R. D. Montague. Secy.

28<sup>th</sup> June

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1873. Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor and William C. Hay and R. D. Montague Elders.

The Session was opened with prayer.

Mrs. Susanna C. Capaday was received as a member of this church on profession of

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her faith in Christ, after due examination, and the ordinance of Baptism was administered to her.

// Closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague C. S.

1873  
12<sup>th</sup> July

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1873. Present Rev Daniel Blair Pastor Joseph S. Edie Wm C. Hagan & Rice & Montague Elders. Session was opened with prayer.

// Mr. A. Hobson and Miss Lucy Hobson members of this Church in good & regular standing is at their own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Newburg, to whose Christian fellowship & communion they are most cordially and affectionately commended, and when united with that Church, their peculiar relation to this Church will cease.

Closed with prayer. R. D. Montague C. S.

6<sup>th</sup> September // At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 1873. Present Rev Daniel Blair Pastor Joseph S. Edie, Wm C. Hagan and Wm M. C. Montague Elders. Session was opened with prayer.

// William M. C. Montague Elder is appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held in New London Church and William C. Hagan is appointed alternate



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Mr. Lillia Lane late Miss Lillia Kyle a member of this church in good and regular standing, is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Greenville Juniper, to whose christian fellowship and communion she is most cordially & affectionately commended, and when united to that church her peculiar relation to this church will cease.

// Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague. Eld.

1873  
11th October

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 1873 Present Rev Daniel Blain Pastor, Joseph S. Edie Wm C. Hagan, John S. Wades, Wm M. C. Montague and Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

// Rice D. Montague Elder is appointed a delegate to represent this church in the next meeting of Synod to be held in the 1st Presbyterian Church in Charleston Kanawha County West Virginia, and Wm M. C. Montague is appointed alternate.

// Session closed with prayer R. D. Montague Eld

3<sup>rd</sup> November

// At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1873. Present Rev Daniel Blain Pastor, Joseph S. Edie Wm M. C. Montague & Rice D. Montague Elders  
Opened with prayer

// Mrs Susan Phlegan was received as a member of this church on certificate.

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Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to remove from us by death, our beloved brother James McWade, who for 16 years has filled the office of Ruling Elder in this church.

Therefore. Resolved that we do sincerely mourn the loss which we as a session & our church sustain under this ordering of Gods Providence, and we pray that it may be sanctified to us, & to all our people, leading us to live more consistent lives, and to remember always that we are strangers in a strange land who look for a city which hath foundations whose builder & maker is God.

2<sup>d</sup>. That we desire to record our thankfulness to the great head of the Church, for so long permitting our brother to live and labour within in the Gospel, and it pleased Him to grant him sustaining faith under the painful bodily sufferings which he endured for so many years, and which cut him off from that activity which he had formerly displayed as a Christian & an officer in Gods House, and especially may the suddenness with which the message of death came to him be so blessed to us all, that we may henceforth take good heed to the word of God, so strikingly enforced: "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the son of man cometh."

3<sup>d</sup>. That our now widowed Sister whom we love in the Lord, & her children, who are thus sorely bereaved, have our heart felt sympathy and prayer, and that we esteem it our privilege as well as our duty to use our best endeavours

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to minister to their comfort in all things.

11<sup>th</sup>. That these resolutions be spread upon our records, as a tribute of our esteem & affection for our brother and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother, and to the Montgomery Wepinger & Central Presbyterian for publication.

Whereas it has pleased God sorely to afflict our beloved sister in the Lord, Mrs. J. W. Gardner in the death of her husband. Therefore.

Resolved 1. That we sympathize most deeply with Mrs. Gardner, in her affliction, and would remind her of the goodness of God, to her dear husband in the good hope that he gave of a full acceptance of Christ, and would commend her and her fatherly child to the special care of our beloved Saviour, who is able to give abiding consolation to all those who are troubled & bowed down with sorrow.

2<sup>nd</sup>. That this resolution be spread upon the records of the Session & a copy furnished Mrs. Gardner. Session closed with prayer.  
R. D. Montague C. S.

1874  
3<sup>rd</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January 1874  
Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, William C. Hagan, William M. C. Montague & Rice D. Montague Moderators

Session was opened with prayer.

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Rice D. Montague Elder who was appointed a delegate to represent this church in the meeting of Synod reported that he had attended regularly the sessions of Synod held at Charleston West Virginia.

The clerk of Session is directed to cite James W. Shields to appear before the session, on Saturday night at 7 o'clock <sup>pm</sup> on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of this month to answer the charge made by common fame, of being guilty of unchristian conduct in this that he is addicted to Intemperate habits.

Closed with prayer

R. D. Montague C.S.

1874  
11<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 1874 Present Rev Daniel Blair Pastor John D. Wade Wm C. Hagan, Wm M. C. Montague & Rice D. Montague Elders.  
Session opened with prayer.

John C. Hagan was received as a member of this church as professor of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer. R. D. Montague C.S.

17<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 1874 Present Rev Dan Blair Pastor John D. Wade Wm C. Hagan, Wm M. C. Montague and Rice D. Montague Elders.  
Opened with prayer.

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James Wm Shields having been cited to appear before the Session to answer the charge made against him by common fame, for being guilty of unchristian conduct in this, that he is addicted to intemperate habits, and having failed to attend on account of sickness. It is ordered that the case be continued until the 31st day of this month at 7 o'clock P.M., and that the clerk of Session again cite him to appear at that time.

Session closed with prayer

R. D. Montague Clk.

1874

28th February

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 28th day of February 1874. Present Rev. David Blair Pastor and Wm B. Hagan, Wm M. C. Montague and Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

The minutes of the last sine meeting of session were read and approved.

The Session having failed to meet on the 31st day of January last, the time appointed for James Wm Shields, to appear before the Session to answer the charge of unchristian conduct, in this, that he is addicted to intemperate habits, and he having been notified by the clerk of Session to appear before the Session at this time, and failing to do so. It is ordered that the clerk of Session again cite him to appear on the 14th Instant at 7 o'clock P.M. to answer said charge.

closed with prayer

R. D. Montague Clk.

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1874  
1st March

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christ Church held on the 1st day of March 1874 Present Rev Daniel Blain Pastor and William C. Nagars, William M. C. Montague and Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer

Mrs Julia Hawey was received as a member of this church, on profession of her faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

The moderator informed the Session that on the evening of the last meeting, at which time Mr James Shields Jr was cited to appear before Session to answer charges made against him, a letter had been sent to the man by Mr Shields containing a full confession of guilt, which did not come into his hands until after the adjournment of session; the moderator further stated that believing this letter would be received by session in lieu of Mr Shields' personal appearance, he had advised the clerk not to issue a second citation until further directed, that the clerk had acted upon his advice; the letter was placed in the hands of session and received by them. It was therefore resolved that a further citation was unnecessary, and that they proceed immediately in the case; Mr Shields' letter was then read, his confession as therein made is as follows viz: A few days since Mr. Montague handed me a citation to appear before session, of the church, to answer a charge of intemperate habits; instead of answering the charge in person I send this written statement. With shame and mortification, I am forced to acknowledge

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edged myself guilty of the charge; as before confessed, I have for some time considered myself an unworthy member and felt that I was bringing reproach upon the church and have consequently not participated in any of the ordinances or sacraments thereof. I have striven & prayed for a different result, but the flesh and my own evil desires, have been more powerful than my good resolutions, and my efforts to reform have been in vain. This confession being deemed sufficient evidence to sustain the charge made against Mr. Shields, it was unanimously resolved that he be and is hereby suspended from the sacraments of the church, until he give satisfactory evidence of sincere repentance; the clerk was directed to inform Mr. Shields of this censure, and it was further resolved that the members of said church publish it privately among the members of the church & congregation for their information.

Resolved with prayer

R. D. Montague. Clk.

1 Examined & approved by Pres. of Montgomery at its session in Lynchburg Apr 8. 1874.

John K. Harris

Moderator

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1874  
4th April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 4th day of April 1874. Present the Rev Daniel Blain Pastor R. D. Montague & W. W. Hagan Elders.  
Session opened with prayer

Mr. Mary L. Blain was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Session of Colliers Cove Church in Lexington Presbytery.

Rev. D. Montague Elder was appointed a delegate to represent this church in Presbytery to be held in the second Presbyterian Church Lynchburg on the 8th Instant.

The following statistical report was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery embracing a period of 12 months from the 1st day of April 1873 added on Examination 5.

Contributions			
" on certificate	2	Sustentation	\$104
Total Communicants	114	Children's contribution	\$29
Adults Baptized	3	Foreign Missions	\$52-
Infants Baptized	8	Education	\$86
Children in Sabbath school	131	Publications	\$70
		Disabled Ministers &c	\$48
Pastors salary paid			\$1200
Congregational			\$321
Miscellaneous			\$55

Session closed with prayer

R. D. Montague, C. S.



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1874  
20<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 1874 Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor, and Joseph Bowie and Wm. Hagan Elders.  
Session was opened with prayer.

Richard P. Jones, Rufus S. Bane, Miss Fannie D. Jones, Mr. George L. Jones, Mr. Clementine V. Hammet, Thomas Gibson Mrs. E. M. Gibson & Mrs. Agnes L. Woodroof members of this church in good regard and standing having with other persons signed a petition to Mount Gannery Presbytery desiring to be set off into a new Church, organization to be called "New River Church" and their petition having been granted by Presbytery, & a committee appointed to organize said church, they are dismissed to connect themselves with said organization.

Closed with prayer.

Wm. Hagan A. S. Moderator.

11<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 1874 Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor and Wm. Hagan and Rice D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

James Robert Craig was received as a member of this church on profession of his faith in Christ, after the usual examination.  
Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague. C. S.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1874  
12<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Clintonburg held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1874. Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Joseph S. Eccles, Wm. C. Hagan and R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Miss Kate Fleming Gardner and Mr. Nickethi Hawley Smith were received as members of the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examinations.

R. D. Montague Elder who was appointed a delegate to represent this church at the last meeting of Presbytery, reported that he had attended regularly the sessions of Presbytery.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague Eld.

5<sup>th</sup> September

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Clintonburg held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1874. Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan and R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

James Woods a member of the church in good regular standing is at his own request dismissed to unite with the Franklin Square Church in Baltimore, and the Session of Session is directed to give him the usual certificate.

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William S. Hagan Elder is appointed a delegate to represent this church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at Floyd Court House, and Wm. W. C. Montague is appointed alternate.

On motion Rice S. Montague Elder is appointed a committee to confer with Mr Joseph Abbitney a member of this church, who has for some time absented himself from public worship, and to admonish him of his duty in this respect. He will also converse with him as fully as possible about his spiritual condition, and report to the session the result of his interview.

Closed with prayer. R. S. Montague S. S.

1874  
10th October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 10th day of October 1874 Present Rev Daniel Blair Pastor, and Wm S Hagan Wm W C Montague and Rice S Montague Elders Session opened with prayer.

Miss Mary E Taylor was received as a member of this church on profession of her faith in Christ, after due examination.

William W. C. Montague Elder reported to session that he as the alternate to Wm S Hagan attended the regular session of Presbytery held at Floyd Court House.

Wm W C Montague Principal of Wm S Hagan school is appointed a delegate to Synod. to be held in Winchester

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Sefion took a recess until 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock to-morrow morning

Sunday morning October 11<sup>th</sup> 1874 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock.

Sefion met and was opened with prayer.

Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan  
Wm. Mc. Montague Elders

Wm. Julia A. Montague was received as a member of this church on profession of her faith in Christ, after due examination.

Sefion closed with prayer. R. D. Montague led.

1874  
7<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Sefion of the Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November 1874

Present Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor, John A. Lewis  
Wm. C. Hagan and R. D. Montague Elders.

Sefion opened with prayer.

Wm. John A. Syle a member of this church in good and regular standing, at his own request desirous to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Austin in the State of Texas, and the clerk of Sefion is directed to give him the usual certificate.

Wm. Wm. Sauter a member of this church having removed beyond the bounds of the same, for more than 12 months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, or make his application for such certificate. The Sefion therefore certifies that from the time he connected himself with this church until his removal

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he was in good and regular standing, which is ordered to be certified to the New-England Presbyterian Church.

|| Mr Joseph & M Wilson and Mrs Mary J B Wilson late Mary J B Crockett members of this church, leaving removed beyond the bounds of the same for more than twelve months, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission heretofore, now makes application for such certificate. The Session therefore resolves that from the time they connected themselves with this church until their removal they were in good and regular standing which is ordered to be certified to the Presby. Union Church at Meadon.

|| Session closed with prayer. R. D. Montague S. S.

1875  
2<sup>nd</sup> January

|| A meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Lewisburg held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1875. Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor and Wm C. Hagan and William M. C. Montague Elders. The Session was opened with prayer.

|| Capt. J. A. Roberts and Mrs S. C. Roberts were received as members of this church on certificate from the Session of the Blacksburg church, also the following Baptist children to wit, Charles Richard, Rosa Roalynd, and Thomas Algerman Roberts.

|| Mr Henry Bell was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Session of the Blacksburg church. Closed with prayer. D. Blain Mod.

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1875  
6<sup>th</sup> February

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1875. Present Rev. Daniel Blair Moderator and Joseph S. Lodie, Wm M. C. Montague and R. D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

Mr. Andrew Leavitt was received as a member of this church on profession of his faith in Christ.

Resolved that inasmuch as several members of this church have recently engaged in social dancing the Pastor is hereby requested to visit and warn them against the evil tendency of this amusement which we consider is clearly a worldly amusement in which Christians cannot engage.

Session adjourned closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague & S.

31<sup>st</sup> March

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christianburg held on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1875. Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor Joseph S. Lodie, Wm M. C. Montague and R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Miss Lucy A. Habers was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Session of Newbern Church.

R. D. Montague Elder is appointed a delegate to represent this church at the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at White House Church

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on the 1st day of April next and Doct Joseph  
S. Edie his alternate

¶ The clerk of Session is directed to prepare the usual  
report for Presbytery.

¶ Doct Joseph S. Edie Elder is appointed a committee  
to converse with George Duce a member of this church  
on the subject of his absenting himself from the  
meetings of the church, and to counsel him on the  
subject.

¶ Session adjourned closed with prayer  
R. D. Montague C. S.

1875  
4<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian church  
at Christ Church held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April  
1875. Present the Rev Dennis D. Blair Pastor  
Wm. Ed. Agas Wm. M. C. Montague and Rice S.  
Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer

¶ William A. Bragg and Miss Melita Hawley  
were received as members of this church on  
profession of their faith in Christ.

¶ Session adjourned closed with prayer  
R. D. Montague C. S.

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1875  
10<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 1875 Present the Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor and Wm. C. Hagar Wm. M. S. Montague and Rice D. Montague Elders  
Session was opened with prayer.

The following statistical report was approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery embracing a period of twelve months from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1874

Number of Elders	5	Funds collected	
Number of Deacons	4	Sustentation	\$ 105.
Communicants added on last	6	Evangelistic	\$ 35
Communicants on certificate	4	Invalid fund	\$ 38
Total of Communicants	143	Foreign Missions	\$ 92
Adults Baptised	1	Education	\$ 48
Infants Baptised	4	Publications	\$ 65
Number of Baptised, non-Communicants	5	Presbyterial	\$ 47.
Number of Children in Sabbath school	141	Contributory paid	\$ 832.75.
		Congregational	239.50
		Miscellaneous	- -

Session adjourned closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague S.S.

Examined by Committee of Presbytery at "White House Ch."  
Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1875. & approved.

Wm. W. Houston

Moderator



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1875  
12<sup>th</sup> June

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1875. Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Drs W. C. Montague, W. M. Haysen, Joseph S. Edie and Rice D. Montague Elders.

The Session was opened with prayer.

|| Mrs. Maudie Lakin, Miss Alice Hale, Miss Jane H. Montague, and Joseph Edie Figgat were received as members of this church, on profession of their faith in Christ.

|| Session closed with prayer.

D. D. Montague C. S.

4<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July 1875. Present the Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor and Joseph S. Edie and Rice D. Montague Elders.

Session was opened with prayer.

|| Dr. John C. Woodell was received as a member of this church, on profession of his faith in Christ after due examination.

|| Mr. W. R. Bayan having produced to the Session a letter of dismission from the Dublin church commanding him to the care of this church he was received as a member thereof.

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Mr. Augustus Hobson and Mrs. Ellen Hobson having procured to the Session a letter of dismission from the Session of Newbern Church commending them to the care of this Church they are received as members thereof.

Session closed with prayer.

R. S. Montague Secy.

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1875  
24<sup>th</sup> September

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church in Christaenburg, held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 1875. Present. Rev. D. Plain, Pastor. Mrs. C. Hagan & R. S. Montague, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Mrs. Kate Loebart, late Kate Kyle, a member of this Church, is at her own request dismissed to any Presbyterian Church in the bounds of which God in His providence may cast her lot.

Mrs. Sue Gardner, a member of this Church is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Downville Presbyterian Church Missouri.

Mrs. J. C. Moir & Mrs. Moir members of this Church, are at their own request dismissed to unite with any Presbyterian Church in the bounds of which God in His providence may cast their lot.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

The course of Session is directed to make out the Sunday School report; also the report on the State of Religion for Presbytery.

William C. Hagan, Elder, is appointed a delegate to represent his Church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at the Big Lick, and R. D. Montague Elder, is the alternate.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague, C. S.

1875  
28<sup>th</sup> September At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of September 1875. Present, Rev. D. Slain, Pastor, J. S. Eddy, Wm. C. Hagan & R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

The Sunday School report and the report on the State of Religion were read approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague C. S.

1875  
9<sup>th</sup> October At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1875. Present, Rev. D. Slain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & R. D. Montague, Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Hepp Latimer is received as a member of this Church, on a profession of his faith in Christ.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Henry Bell a member of this Church, is at his own request dismissed to the Falling Spring Pres byterian Church.

Rice S. Montague, Elder, is appointed the delegate to represent this Church in Synod to be held in Staunton on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst, and Wm. C. Hagan is appointed his alternate.

William C. Hagan, Elder, who was appointed a delegate to represent this Church at Presbytery to be held at Big Lick, reported that he had performed the duty required of him.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. S. Montague, C. S.

1875  
10<sup>th</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 1875. Present: Wm. S. Blair, Pastor, Jos. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan & R. S. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

S. Braionard H. Hines and Mrs Annie Maria Hines, were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. S. Montague, C. S.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1876  
8<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 1876. Present, Rev. S. Blain, Pastor, J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hogan, Wm. McC. Montague & R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Rev. J. H. Haff, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Mr. F. H. Gardner, produced a certificate from the Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, certifying that he had been an acceptable member of that Church and desiring to connect himself with this Church. On motion he is received as a member of this Church.

Joseph A. Childress who is in regular connection with this Church having applied to the Session for a certificate of dismissal; he is therefore dismissed to unite with any Presbyterian Church in the bounds of which God in His providence may cast his lot.

R. D. Montague Elder, who was appointed a delegate to represent this Church, at Synod reported that he had performed the duties required of him.

J. J. Wade & Mary A. Wade, members of this Church, are at their own request dismissed to join the Franklin Street Church in Baltimore.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague C. S.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1876  
1st April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 1st day of April 1876. Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M<sup>o</sup> Montague & R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Mrs Julia Ingles, late Julia Harvey, a member of this Church, is at her own request dismissed to join the New River Presbyterian Church.

The Court of Session is directed to prepare the Sunday School report and the report on the State of Religion for Presbytery; also the statistical report.

R. D. Montague, Elder, is appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst, and Wm. M<sup>o</sup> Montague is appointed his alternate.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. D. Montague, C. S.

1876  
15<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1876. Present, Rev. D. Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & R. D. Montague Elders. Opened with prayer.

Capt. J. A. Roberts & Mrs S. E. Roberts his wife members of this Church, are at their own request, dismissed to unite with the Staerksburg Church: also their three baptised infant children, to wit: Charles R. Rosa R. & Thomas A. Roberts.

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The following statistical report was examined approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery, embracing a period of twelve months from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1875.

Number of Elders	5	Funds Collected.	
Number of Deacons	6	Sustentation	\$ 73.09
Communicants added on Exam	10	Evangelistic	\$ 21.89
" " " Cert	21	Invalid fund	\$ 39.00
Total of Communicants	145	Foreign Missions	\$ 118.83
Adults Baptized	11	Education	\$ 29.00
Infants " "	3	Publication	\$ 42.27
Number of Baptized non Communicants	83	Presbyterial	\$ 34.50
Number of Children in Sabbath School & Bible Class	139	Pastor's salary paid	\$ 580.00
		Organizational	\$ 279.00
		Miscellaneous	21.00

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer.

A. D. Montague C. S.

Examined by Committee at Fincastle April 19-1876 - and approved as far as written.

D. W. Shanks Mod;

1876  
2<sup>nd</sup> September At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1876. Present, Rev. D. Rain, Pastor, Wm. C. Nagan & A. D. Montague, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

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Rev. D. Montague, Elders. is chosen as principal to represent this Church in the next meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Otter-wood Church, and J. M. Montague was chosen as alternate.

Mrs. Francisina Currier a member of this Church in good & regular standing is at her own request dismissed to unite with the New River Presbyterian Church, to whose Christian care & fellowship, she is most cordially commended, and when received by that Church her peculiar relation to this will cease.

Mrs. Jane Lewis, late Jane Montague, a member of this Church in good & regular standing is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Rockcastle Presbyterian Church, to whose Christian care & fellowship she is most cordially commended, and when received by that Church, her peculiar relation to this will cease.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague, C. S.

1876  
4<sup>th</sup> September

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1876. Present, Rev. D. C. Rain, Pastor, R. D. Montague & J. M. Montague, Elders. Session opened with prayer.

The Sunday School report & the narrative prepared for Synod, was presented by the care of the Session, examined, approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery. Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague C. S.



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1876  
1<sup>st</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1876. Present, Rev. D. Rain Pastor, W. C. Hogan & R. D. Montague, Elders. Session opened with prayer.

W. J. E. Coffey, having produced to the Session a letter of Dismission from the Presbyterian Church at Big Lick commencing him to the Christian care & fellowship of this Church, on motion his own name was ordered to be enrolled as a member thereof.

R. D. Montague, Elder reported to the Session his attendance at the meeting of Presbytery held at Otter Wood Church.

Session took a recess until tomorrow night at 7 o'clock.  
R. D. Montague, C. S.

1876  
2<sup>nd</sup> October

Monday Night October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1876  
Session met and was opened with prayer. Present Rev. D. Rain Pastor & W. C. Hogan & R. D. Montague, Elders. R. D. Montague, Elder, is appointed principal delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of Synod to be held in the City of Norfolk on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of this month & W. C. Hogan is appointed alternate.

It having come to the knowledge of the Session by common fame that Mr. G. J. Booser a member of this Church, has been guilty of the sin of drunkenness in the town of Christiansburg within the last three weeks, the Session having admonished him privately both formally & informally in regard to this sin, do now direct the Court to cite Mr. Booser to appear for trial upon this charge at a meeting of Session

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to be held in the Pastors Study on Saturday October  
14<sup>th</sup> 1876 at 7 O'clock, P. M.

Session closed with prayer.

P. O. Montague C. S.

1876  
14<sup>th</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
Christiansburg, held on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1876  
at 7 o'clock P. M. in the Pastors study.

Present Rev. O. Abain, Pastor, Wm. C. Sagan, Wm. M. C. Montague  
& R. O. Montague, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

The citation which was directed to be issued against J. D.  
Booker a member of this Church who stands charged by  
Common fame with drunkenness in the town of Christians-  
burg, returnable to this time, having been served;  
A letter was received from Mr Booker expressing his  
willingness to appear before the Session, but that he  
would be necessarily absent at this time and requesting  
the Session to adjourn to a suitable time. It was resolv-  
ed that the Session adjourn the case over until the Second  
Saturday in November next, being the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the  
month, at which time the Session will again meet in  
the Pastors study at 7 o'clock P. M.

The Presbytery of Montgomery having at its last meeting  
passed resolutions in regard to Ministerial support -  
which are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Resolved - That the most  
earnest attention of the officers and members of disinquent  
Churches is called to the importance of meeting their  
obligations to their Pastors promptly.

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2<sup>d</sup> Presbytery hereby exhorts its Churches to bear in mind the solemn character of this obligation, its intimate connection with their own prosperity, and with the blessing of God upon the preached word, and the imminent danger of serious injury to the cause of Christ from unfaithfulness in this respect upon the part of Gods people.

3<sup>d</sup> It is recommended that in all cases where churches are in arrears to their Pastors, that immediate steps be taken to meet them."

And having directed that they be read to the several congregations in the bounds of the Presbytery: The Session directs that the said resolutions be read to this congregation on tomorrow by the Clerk of Session.

Session closed with Prayer.

A. O. Montague, C. S.

1876  
11<sup>th</sup> November

On the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1876 - The Rev O. Blain Pastor of the Church being necessarily absent, Wm. C. Hagan & A. O. Montague, Elders, were present - and there being no quorum they adjourned to meet in the Pastors Study, on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst at 7 o'clock.

A. O. Montague, C. S.

18<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 1876 at 7 o'clock P M in the Pastors Study.

Present, Rev O. Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. C. Montague & A. O. Montague Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Mr J. J. Proctor who was cited to appear before the Session

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And answer to the charge of drunkenness, appeared before Session at this meeting after the Moderator had called to the attention of the Session, the nature of this proceeding and charged them solemnly. The charge was made to Mr Booker and he plead guilty - Mr Booker having given to the Session satisfactory evidence of his repentance and expressing an earnest desire and purpose to lead a consistent Christian life, the Session adopted as their sentence in his case the following - viz: Whereas, Mr Booker has been guilty of this great sin a number of times and the faithful admonitions of the Session privately and by Committees have failed to deter him wholly from falling again, the Session do adjudge that Mr Booker be now formally censured and admonished in the presence of the Session.

Session closed with prayer.

A. O. Montague, C. S.

1876  
25<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 1876 at 7 o'clock P. M. in the Pastors Study.

Present, Rev D. Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & A. O. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Mr J. Y. Booker appeared before Session and was admonished according to the order of Session adopted at the last meeting.

Miss Ella Moir, a member of this Church in good and regular standing, is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at New London

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to whom Christian care and fellowship she is most cordially commended and when received by that Church her peculiar relation to this will cease.

Session closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague, C. S.

1876  
17<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December 1876, at the house of John Haymaster near the Alleghany meeting House, and which is in the bounds of this congregation. In the absence of the Rev Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, the Pastor of this Church, Rev C. A. Miller, who at this time is serving the said Alleghany Church, (was requested to Moderate the Session). Present, Wm. C. Hagan & J. D. Evans, Elders. Wm. C. Hagan was appointed Clerk of the Session pro tem. Session opened with prayer.

Mr James H. Haymaster, David J. Stephens, Eliza H. Stephens & Mrs Nancy C. Shelton, were received as members of this Church, on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

W. C. Hagan C. S. P. S.

24<sup>th</sup> December

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of December 1876 in the Pastors study. Present, Rev. S. Blain, Pastor. Wm. C. Hagan. Wm. C. Montague & R. D. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

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Miss Mary H. Shields was received as a member of this Church on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

A. O. Montague, C. S.

1877  
13<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1877, bet 7 o'clock P. M. in the Pastors Study. Present, Rev. S. Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M. C. Montague & A. O. Montague. Elders - Session opened with prayer.

A. O. Montague Elder who was appointed to represent this Church in the meeting of Synod held at Norfolk reported that he had performed the duties required of him.

Hade Taylor, Chas. J. Gardner, Chas. J. Hade, Omora M. Latimer, Mary J. Bryan, Bettie S. Hendry, Ida B. Crush, Ida B. Gardner & Lucy H. Gardner, were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Closed with prayer.

A. O. Montague, C. S.

14<sup>th</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 1877 in the Pastors study. Present, Rev. S. Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & A. O. Montague, Elders - Session

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opened with prayer.

William B. Bagan & John A. Shields were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Mrs Martha Haymaster was received as a member of this Church on a certificate from the Session of Blacksburg Church.

Robert D. Hendry, came before the Session to be received as a member of the Church, and on account of his age he was received under the care of the Session as a candidate for Church membership for future action.

James H. Shields & Elizabeth A. Shields his wife members of this Church, having removed beyond the bounds of the same, and having failed to apply for a certificate of dismission within twelve months from the time of such removal, now make application for such certificate - The Session therefore certifies to the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Easton (the Church to which they wish to connect themselves) that previous to their removal they were members in good and regular standing.

Session closed with prayer.

A. D. Montague. C. S.

1877  
21<sup>st</sup> January

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1877, at the Pastors study. Present. Bro. D. Blair, Pastor, J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan & A. D. Montague Elders.

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Session opened with prayer.

Charles M. Bragg, was received as a member of this Church on profession of his faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

R. O. Montague, C. S.

1877  
29<sup>th</sup> March

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March 1877 in the Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. O. Blain, Pastor, R. O. Montague & William C. Hagan Elders - Session opened with prayer.

William J. Gardner, was received as a member of this Church, on profession of his faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer.

R. O. Montague C. S.

4<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877, in the Church.

Present, Rev. O. Blain, Pastor, William C. Hagan, Wm M. O. Montague & R. O. Montague, Elders - The Rev. C. A. Miller, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member -

Session opened with prayer.



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John A. Morton, John F. Wainwright, <sup>Russell A. Steeler</sup> John C. Lawrence,  
 John B. Lawrence, William F. Hieston, Sarah E. Hieston  
 Lucy P. Barmes, Harry O. Heston, Mrs Rosa M. Warren  
 Annie F. Gardner, Rosa L. Montague & Alexander C.  
 Cooper, were received as members of this church  
 on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual  
 examination.

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer.

N. O. Montague C. S.

7<sup>th</sup> 1877  
 April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
 Christiansburg, held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877 in the Pastors  
 Study.

Present, Rev. O. Blain, Pastor, Joseph S. Eadie, Wm. C. Hagan  
 & N. O. Montague Elders. - Session opened with prayer.

Belle M. Taylor, Mary G. Mosby, Kate M<sup>o</sup> Mosby &  
 Estelle Hattery, were received as members of this  
 Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the  
 usual examination.

Session took recess, until 10 o'clock tonight (Saturday)

Saturday Night - April 7<sup>th</sup> 1877 10 o'clock P. M.  
 After recess Session convened - Present, Rev. O. Blain  
 Pastor, N. O. Montague, Joseph S. Eadie, Wm. C. Hagan  
 & Wm. C. Hagan, Elders -

Thomas J. Gardner, Ferdinand Harvey, Joseph M.  
 Robinson, Cora L. Gardner, & Bertha J. Hobson were  
 received as members of this Church on profession of

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this faith in Christ, after the usual examination

Session took place, until tomorrow (Sunday) morning  
April 8<sup>th</sup> 1877 at 10 o'clock A.M.

8<sup>th</sup> April

Sunday morning April 8<sup>th</sup> 1877. 10 o'clock A.M.  
After news Session met. Present, Rev. D. Blain  
Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Jos. S. Eadie & R. O. Montague  
Elders.

After prayer the Session received the following persons  
as members of this Church, on profession of their  
faith in Christ, after the usual examination to-wit:  
Samuel C. Shelton, William J. Shelton, James P. Shelton,  
Lendroy J. Haymaster, William J. Cherry, Philip  
Haymaster, John J. Taylor, Joseph E. Walle, Duella  
A. E. Lawrence, Eva Sue Piggat, & Margaret Figer.

Mrs. Ella Luster was received as a member of this  
Church on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian  
Church at Union, West Virginia, commending her  
as a member in good standing to the Christian  
fellowship of this Church.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.  
R. O. Montague C. S.

14<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church  
at Christiansburg, held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877 in  
the Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. McC  
Montague & R. O. Montague, Elders. Session opened  
with prayer.

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The following statistical report was examined, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery, embracing a period of twelve months from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1876.

Number of Elders	5	Funds Collected	
Number of Deacons	5	Sustentation	\$66.07
Communicants added on Exam	18	Evangelistic	\$50.45
" " " Cert.	2	Invalid fund	\$39.75
Total of Communicants	154	Foreign Missions	\$100.00
Adults Baptised	3	Education	\$44.45
Infants " "	5	Publication	\$38.00
No of Baptised non Communicants	65	Presbyterial	\$55.00
Number of Children in Sabbath School & Bible Class	145	Pastor Salary actually paid	\$306.00
		Congregation	\$145.00
		Miscellaneous	\$490.00

The Sabbath School report & Systematic <sup>& the Navigation</sup> reports, were examined, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

R. O. Montague, Elder, was appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of Presbytery to be held at Liberty on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst & Wm. M. C. Montague was appointed alternate.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

R. O. Montague C. S.

15<sup>th</sup> April

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877 in the Church Present, Rev. P. Blain, Pastor, Joseph S. Edie, Wm. M. C. Montague & R. O. Montague, Elders  
Session opened with prayer.

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Elizabeth A. Christman was received as a member of this Church, on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer,  
R. D. Montague C. S.

Examined & approved as far as written by the Committee appointed for that purpose at Liberty April 19<sup>th</sup> 1877.

J. E. Triplett. Mod.

29<sup>th</sup> April

At a Meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877 at the Pastors Study.

Present, Bro. A. Blain, Pastor, Joseph S. Edie, William C. Hagan & R. D. Montague. Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

William C. Flagg, Joseph A. Packer & Samuel J. Kyle were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Closed with prayer.

R. D. Montague C. S.

6<sup>th</sup> May

At a Meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 1877. Present, Bro. A. Blain, Pastor, Joseph S. Edie & R. D. Montague. Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

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1877

Agnus Jane Wilson was received as a member of this Church in profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination.

The Session deeming it necessary to have additional Elders & Deacons elected in this Church, request the Pastor to give notice that on this day two weeks, which will be the 30<sup>th</sup> of May 1877 immediately after the morning service, there will be an election held in this Church for two additional Elders & one Deacon.

Session closed with prayer.

W. D. Montague, Secy.

20<sup>th</sup> May

May 30<sup>th</sup> 1877. The Congregation (notice having been given for two weeks) proceeded to the election of two additional Elders & one Deacon: Whereupon James C. Taylor & John A. Johnson were elected additional Elders & George D. Justis additional Deacon, the Communicing members of the Church only voting.

10<sup>th</sup> June

June 10<sup>th</sup> 1877. James C. Taylor & John A. Johnson the Elders elect & George D. Justis the Deacon elect were regularly ordained and installed according to the Book of Terms in this Church.

17<sup>th</sup> June

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christchurchburg at the Pastor's study on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1877. Present, Rev. O. Hain, Pastor, Joseph S. Ellis, Jm. C. Hagan, W. D. Montague & J. A. Johnson. Elders. Session opened with prayer.

George B. Bradford & Margaret E. Bradford were received

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as members of this Church, on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

R. O. Montague C. S.

21<sup>st</sup> June

at a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held ~~at the Session~~ at the house of Dr. Joseph S. Edie on the 21 June 1877. Present, Bro. W. Blain, Pastor, J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M. C. Montague, R. O. Montague, Jas. C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Inasmuch as it is rumored that John A. Morton, J. W. Gooden, Charles F. Gardner & Isaac Taylor members of this Church had been guilty of such enormities as to bring reproach upon the Church; on motion it was resolved that P. O. Montague and J. R. Johnson, Elders, be appointed a Committee to notify them to appear before the Session at the Law Office of Messrs Taylor & Phlegar on Thursday next at 8 o'clock P. M. for conference as to their spiritual state.

Mary H. Shuide a member of this Church in good standing is at her own request dismissed to unite with the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Baltimore to whose Christian care & fellowship she is most cordially commended and when received by that Church her peculiar relation to this will cease.

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R. V. Montague C.S.

28<sup>th</sup> June

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held at the Law Office of Messrs Taylor & Pledger on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1877. Present, Rev. V. Mann, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, James C. Taylor, Geo. W. Johnson & R. V. Montague, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Messrs J. Y. Gosler, John A. Morton & Charles J. Gardner, appeared before the Session as requested; they acknowledged to the Session that they had been guilty of the sin of drunkenness: having conversed with each of them separately, the Session conferred together as to the action best for these erring brethren and for the honor of the Church and unanimously agreed upon the following paper, - That is - Whereas, these brethren profess sincere repentance for their sin, with the desire & purpose by Gods help to avoid it in future, and Whereas, their recent conduct gives evidence of the sincerity of their profession, therefore it is resolved: 1<sup>st</sup> That the Session will take no further action in these cases, than the faithful warning and admonition which we now give them to look to God earnestly and prayerfully for pardon, to avoid temptation and association likely to lead them into temptation, and that they remember in future the weakness of the flesh with the danger which besets the Christian on all sides and put themselves constantly under the care of Him who only can uphold, defend & lead them to wear worthy of their high calling. 2<sup>nd</sup> That the Pastor be requested to notify the Congregation of his action, when

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assembled for Public Worship on the coming Sabbath & commended them to the fellowship & prayers of Gods people. Wm Taylor was not before the Session having left town. On motion it was resolved to postpone all action in his case to some future time.

Resolved that Elder J. A. Johnson & Deacon John Gardner be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to correspond with the firm from which our organ was purchased, with a view to secure such an instrument as we need and as they contracted to deliver.

Session closed with prayer.

A. P. Montague Q. S.

30<sup>th</sup> June

At a Meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg held in the Pastors Study on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 1877. Present  
Rev. O. Glavin Pastor, Jos. S. Cole, Wm. C. Hogan, A. P. Montague & Jno. A. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

May J. Lavender & Cleopatra A. Lavender were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ after due examination.

John A. Morton who has been guilty of the sin of intemperance, since the meeting of the Session held on the 28<sup>th</sup> inst, it was resolved that his name be struck out of the record of the Session of that date and that he be warned by the Clerk of Session not to approach the Sacramental table on tomorrow.



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1877 morning, in as much as he is charged by common fame with the sin of intemperance

Session took a recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.  
D. O. Montague C. S.

1<sup>st</sup> July

Sunday Morning July 1<sup>st</sup> 1877.

After mass the Session met in the Pastor's Study. Present, Bro. D. Glain, Pastor, Joseph S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, James C. Taylor, D. O. Montague & J. W. Johnson, Elders.  
Opened with prayer.

Oliver H. P. Carden, Sarah E. Hagg, Melvina O. Newlee, Robbie M. Newlee, & Lizzie O. Chinee, were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after their usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

D. O. Montague, C. S.

11<sup>th</sup> July

At a Meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christaburg, held at Pastor's Study on 11<sup>th</sup> July 1877. Present, Bro. D. Glain, Pastor, William C. Hagan, James C. Taylor & John W. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

William G. Garrant was received as a member of this Church on profession of his faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session closed with prayer.

D. O. Montague C. S.

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11<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg at the Pastors Study on July 11<sup>th</sup> 1877. Present, Bro. D. Glain Pastor, William C. Hagans, James C. Taylor & J. A. Johnson, Elders. Session opened with prayer.

The following resolution was adopted in regard to John A. Morton a member of this Church. You are charged by common fame with a violation of your vows as a Christian. Specification. In this, that on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of July 1877, you were intoxicated from the intemperate use of ardent spirits and did remain so intoxicated during the whole or part of the next day. The Course of the Session is directed to cite the said John A. Morton to appear before the Session at a meeting to be held at the Law Office of Mess Taylor & Phlegar on Thursday the 26 day of July 1877 at 8 O'clock P. M. to answer the said Charge & Specification. Session closed with prayer.

W. D. Montague, C. S.

26<sup>th</sup> July

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg at the Law office of Mess Taylor & Phlegar on the 26 day of July 1877. Present, Bro. D. Glain Pastor William C. Hagans, James C. Taylor, J. A. Johnson & W. D. Montague, Elders. Session opened with prayer.

The Citation directed to be issued against John A. Morton who is charged by common fame with the violation of his vows as a Christian with the specification that he on Friday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of

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July 1877, was intoxicated from the intemperate use of ardent spirits and did remain so intoxicated during the whole or a part of the next day, having been served upon him in due time he appeared before the Session & made a full & free confession of his guilt with deep sorrow & as he believes sincere repentance. Whereupon it was resolved by the Session, that inasmuch as Mr Morton seems truly penitent & expresses an earnest desire that the Session will bear with him still longer, adjudging him guilty we sentence him to admonition by the Moderator which was done.

Resolved that in the case of John A. Morton a member of this Church the Pastor be requested to state publicly to the congregation the fact of his having been cited before the Session, giving such notice as will enable the congregation fully to understand the status of the said Morton as a Church member.

Resolved that hereafter similar announcements shall be made in all cases of discipline for public offenses, unless exceptional circumstances shall make it proper not to do so.

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer.

M. O. Montague  
C. S.

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 September 8<sup>th</sup> At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church  
 at Christiansburg at the Pastor's Study, on September 8<sup>th</sup>  
 1877- Present, Rev. S. Blain Pastor, J. S. Edie, W. C. Hagan  
 Jno. R. Johnson, J. C. Taylor & R. S. Montague. Elders  
 Session opened with prayer.

Mary E. Burwell member of this Church having removed  
 beyond the bounds of the same and having failed to  
 apply for a certificate of dismission within twelve months  
 from the time of such removal, now makes application  
 for such certificate. The Session therefore certifies to  
 the Presbyterian Church in Franklin County Va (the  
 Church with which she wishes to connect herself) that  
 previous to her removal she was a member in good  
 and regular standing

William C. Hagan, Elder, was appointed a delegate to repre-  
 sent this Church at the next meeting of Presbytery to  
 be held at Blacksburg & Wm. M. C. Montague is appointed  
 alternate.

The Clerk of the Session is directed to prepare the  
 narrative for Presbytery

Session adjourned - closed with prayer  
 R. S. Montague C. S.

September 11<sup>th</sup> At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at  
 Christiansburg at the house of <sup>which is in the bounds of this congregation</sup> Mr. Alley, on September 11<sup>th</sup>  
 1877. Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, J. C. Taylor, J. R.  
 Johnson & R. S. Montague Elders  
 Session opened with prayer

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1877 Robert J. Hudgins, Horace S. Hudgins, Bettie Hudgins, Mary A. Hudgins & Mrs Jane Alley were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

The narrative was read, approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer

R. S. Montague C. S.

23<sup>rd</sup> September At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg at "Lee's School House", which is in the bounds of this congregation, on September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1877. Present. Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, R. S. Montague & J. C. Taylor Elders  
Session opened with prayer

Mrs Octavia Wainwright, Miss Octavia Ann Wainwright & Mrs Elizabeth Akers were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer

R. S. Montague C. S.

7<sup>th</sup> October At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg at the Pastor's Study, on October 7<sup>th</sup> 1877. Present Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, J. S. Edie, Wm C. Hagan, Geo R. Johnson J. C. Taylor & R. S. Montague Elders  
Session opened with prayer

Bettie M. Stephens was received as a member of this Church

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on profession of her faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Resolved that a joint meeting of the Elders & Deacons be called, to be held at the Office of Miss Taylor & Phlegar on Saturday evening next at 7 o'clock

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer

R. S. Montague C. S.

28<sup>th</sup> October

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held at the house of Dr. Edie, on October 28<sup>th</sup> 1877. Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, J. S. Edie, J. C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders  
Session opened with prayer

John R. Johnson Elder, was appointed a delegate to represent this Church in the next meeting of the Synod of Virginia, to be held at Alexandria on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November next & J. C. Taylor is appointed alternate.

Session adjourned - Closed with prayer

R. S. Montague C. S.

November 4<sup>th</sup>

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held at the house of Mrs Murray which is in the bounds of this Congregation, on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1877. Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor J. S. Edie & J. C. Taylor Elders.  
Session opened with prayer

Miss Sarah Margaret Murray was received as a member

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1877 of this Church on profession of her faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Closed with prayer

R. S. Montague C. S.

19<sup>th</sup> November

At a meeting of the Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg, held at the house of Dr. Edie on Monday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 1877. Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, + J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor + J. R. Johnson Elders

Session opened with prayer

The following memorial was adopted + directed by the Session to be spread upon the minutes:-

Our beloved Brother in the Lord, Rice S. Montague, fell asleep in Jesus Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1877-

He was born in Cumberland County Va. October 16<sup>th</sup> 1801 and removed to this County in the year 1821. Though not a professing Christian, he took an active part in promoting the organization of the Christiansburg Church in 1827.

In August 1831 he connected himself with the Church on profession of faith, and in August 1832 he was chosen Ruling Elder, to which office he was solemnly ordained the November following. He at once assumed the duties of Clerk of the Session, to which position he was regularly chosen in February 1833. During this long period of 45 years service as an Elder, he was faithful, efficient + increasingly acceptable in the Church. Unless detained by providential cause he was always present at the meetings of the Session, and took an active part + a deep interest in all its proceedings. He loved the Church and entered with energy + promptitude into

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all schemes to promote its prosperity - Though a man full of business, he was ever ready to visit with his pastor among the sick and the aged - He was a good Presbyter, & when no one else could go, as was often the case, he was always ready & took delight in attending Presbytery & Synod - Probably no Elder within the bounds of Presbytery was more frequently a member of that body, or better known than he - But in his own Session & Church his loss will be most keenly felt - He was ever among the foremost among us to engage in the Master's work - For long years he superintended the Sabbath School successfully, & this branch of Christian work he loved to the last - When he ceased to be Superintendent several years ago he took the place of Assistant Superintendent & no one was more regularly in place than he, every Sabbath morning even to the last - For three or four years before his death, together with another Elder, he undertook the establishment of a Country Sabbath School, & regularly, to within a short time of his death he would ride to this school, a distance of three miles, on Sabbath afternoons - We shall miss him everywhere, in all the departments of Church work - He was a man of clear convictions, earnest piety, great decision of character & justly noted for his devotion to duty - Though not demonstrative in manner, he had fine social qualities & a warm, generous heart - His temperament was equable & his piety of a very decided & uniform type - In times of affliction & adversity, as of wealth & prosperity, his faith was clear, intelligent & firm - During his last sickness, which from the first he thought would be fatal, his mind was constantly occupied, even when wandering with religious subjects - He had no ecstatic experience, but to his pastor gave a clear & touching statement of his faith in the Lord Jesus alone, and of his willingness to place himself wholly in his hands - Not long before his death he asked



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for his Bible. He could not see, but eagerly grasped it with both hands, & holding it thus as the anchor of his hope, he engaged in prayer. Among his last utterances were the whispered words, the same with which his departed wife testified to the presence of the Lord on the borders of the river, "Comfort, great Comfort".

And now as a Session, & with the Church which we represent, we thankfully adore that Grace by which Christ was magnified in the life & in the death of our beloved brother.

His memory will be precious among us & his name will remain among the most cherished in the history of this Church which he loved & for which he labored so long & faithfully.

"Servant of God, well done!

Rest from thy loved employ;

The battle fought, the Victory won,

Enter thy Masters joy "

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing memorial be furnished the family of our deceased brother & that a copy be also furnished the "Central Presbyterian" for publication.

John R. Johnson was elected to fill the position of Clerk of the Session, made vacant by the death of Mr. R. S. Montague

Session adjourned. Closed with prayer

Jas. R. Johnson C. S.

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7<sup>th</sup> JanuaryMonday 7<sup>th</sup> January 1878

Session of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg met in the Pastors Study

Present, Rev Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, William M. C. Montague, James C. Taylor & Jas. R. Johnson Elders

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Mr A. A. Hobson, Mrs Ellen Hobson, Miss Lucy A. Hobson  
Miss Bertha T. Hobson & Mr Joseph E. Wade Members of this  
Church in good & regular standing at their request are  
hereby dismissed and affectionately commended to the  
fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Johnson City  
Tenn., and when received by said Church their peculiar  
relation to this Church will cease.

Dr Geo. P. Holman a member of this Church in good  
& regular standing at his request is hereby dismissed  
and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the  
Presbyterian Church at San Saba Texas and when received  
by said Church his peculiar relation to this Church will  
cease.

Mr. John Frederick Miller is received as a member of  
this Church on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian  
Church of Kingston Tenn., commending him as a member  
in good standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Mrs Petronella L. Johnson is received as a member of this  
Church on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian Church  
at Boydton Va., commending her as a member in good  
standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church.

It having come to the knowledge of the session by  
common fame that Charles F. Gardner a member of  
this church has been guilty of the sin of drunkenness  
in the town of Christiansburg, within the last three weeks,  
the session having admonished him previously in regard  
to this sin, do now direct the Clerk to cite him to appear  
for trial upon this charge, at a meeting of session to  
be held at the house of Dr. Joseph S. Edie on Friday

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1878 the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1878 at 7 o'clock P.M.

J. R. Johnson Elder who was appointed to represent this Church in the meeting of Synod held at Alexandria, reported that he had performed that duty.

Session closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson C. S.

January

Saturday Jan'y 12<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session of the Presbyterian Church met at Christiansburg met in the Pastors Study.

Present, Rev Danl. Blain Pastor, + Wm. C. Hagan + John R. Johnson Elders - The Revd. J. H. Harris being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member

Session opened with prayer

Mrs Lavinia C. Spindle was received as a member of this Church on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Session took a recess until to-morrow (Sunday) Morning 10 o'clock

January

Sunday Jan'y 13<sup>th</sup> 1878

After recess session met

Present, Rev S. Blain Pastor + J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor + Jno. R. Johnson Elders

Session closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson C. S.

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JanuaryFriday 18<sup>th</sup> January 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Joseph S. Edie  
 Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan  
 W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague & John R. Johnson Elders  
 Session opened with prayer

The Citation directed to be issued against Charles F. Gardner having been served upon him in due time, he appeared before the Session & confessed the charge. Whereupon it was resolved unanimously that he be suspended from the Sacraments of the Church until such time as he gives satisfactory evidence of sincere repentance.

It having come to the knowledge of the Session by common fame that Wade Taylor a member of this Church has been guilty of the sin of drunkenness in the town of Christiansburg within the last month, the Clerk is directed to cite him to appear for trial upon this charge, at a meeting of the Session to be held at the house of Dr. Joseph S. Edie, on Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1878 at 7 o'clock P. M.

Closed with prayer

John R. Johnson C. S.

February

Thursday February 7<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. J. S. Edie -  
 Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, Dr. Joseph S. Edie  
 W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague & John R. Johnson  
 Session opened with prayer

The session having failed to meet at the time appointed to consider the charge of drunkenness against Wade Taylor, to-wit: the 1<sup>st</sup> day of this month; with his consent

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now proceeds to the consideration of the same & he being present & confessing the charge & having expressed his repentance for the offence committed, the session after a full conference with him, while censuring him for his conduct & admonishing him to be more cautious & prayerful in future. Resolved that no further action be taken in the case, except that the Pastor make a statement of the action of the Session to the congregation, according to our rules.

W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague & Dr. Joseph S. Edie are appointed a committee to confer with Charles M. Bragg a member of this Church as to his spiritual condition, & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan and Jno. R. Johnson a committee to confer with Fleming W. Gardner a member of this Church as to his spiritual condition

Adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson Secy

April

Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met at the Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague, James C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders  
Session opened with prayer.

The Clerk of the Session is directed to prepare the Sunday School report and the statistical report & Elder W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague is appointed to prepare the Narrative on the state of religion, for Presbytery.

Session then took a recess until to-morrow (Sunday) morning 10 o'clock

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April

Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met after recess.

Present. Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor & Joseph S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague, J. C. Taylor & John R. Johnson Elders.

The Committees appointed to confer with Charles M. Bragg & Fleming W. Gardner reported that they had had satisfactory conversations with these brothers & the Session deems it unnecessary to take any further action in these cases.

On motion the Session adjourned to meet at the house of Dr. J. S. Edie on the 27<sup>th</sup> of this month  
Closed with prayer.

Jno R. Johnson C. S.

April

Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie.

Present. Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, & Dr. J. S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan Wm. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague & Jno. R. Johnson Elders  
opened with prayer.

The minutes of session from 29<sup>th</sup> April 1877 to 14<sup>th</sup> April 1878 inclusive were read and approved.

The Certificate of dismissal granted to Mrs. Sue B. Gardner on the 24<sup>th</sup> September 1875 to unite with the Boonville Presbyterian Church Missouri, having never reached her & she having returned to the bounds of this congregation, it is resolved that she be now restored as a member of this church.

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The following Sessional report to the Presbytery was examined, approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery, (embracing a period of twelve months from 1st April 1877)

Number of Elders 6.		Funds Collected	
"	"	Seacons 6.	Sustentation \$55.00
Communicants added on Exam.	59.		Evangelistic 37.00
"	"	" Cert. 3.	Invalid Fund 39.00
Total of Communicants	196.		Foreign Missions 69.00
Adults baptized	37.		Education 39.00
Infants "	11.		Publication 34.00
Number baptized Nov. Conv.	76.		Presbyterial 45.00
No. children in S. S. & Bible Class	146.		Pastor Salary actually paid 890.00
			Congregational 200.00

The Sunday School report was read & approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Wm. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague was appointed delegate & J. R. Johnson alternate, to represent this Church in the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Corington on the 8<sup>th</sup> May next.

Joseph Edie Figgat, John A. Shields & Charles M. Bragg members of this Church having voluntarily absented themselves from the Lord's table, on the last two Communion occasions, J. R. Johnson is appointed a committee to confer with those brethren and report to the Session.

On motion the Session adjourned to meet at the house of Dr. J. S. Edie on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7:30 o'clock  
closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson C. S.

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May

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie  
 Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor & Dr. Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C.  
 Hagan, J. C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders  
 opened with prayer

Minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

Mrs Julia A. Falger a member of this Church in good &  
 regular standing, at her request is hereby dismissed &  
 affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Presby-  
 terian Church at Salem V<sup>o</sup> and when received by said  
 Church her peculiar relations with this will cease

The narrative was read and a motion ~~was~~ made by  
 J. C. Taylor to amend by striking out that part which  
 related to attending the post office & reading secular  
 news papers on the Sabbath. which motion was rejected  
 by the following vote:-

Ayes- J. C. Taylor.

Noes- Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, J. R. Johnson &  
 the moderator.

The narrative was then approved & ordered to be forward-  
 ed to Presbytery by the following vote:-

Ayes- Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, J. R. Johnson & the  
 moderator

Noes- J. C. Taylor

Closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson C. S.



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Examined & approved as far as written at the meeting of Presbytery in Covington Va May 10<sup>th</sup> 1878.  
Dan. Blaine  
Moderator-

May

Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of S<sup>r</sup>. Edie  
Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blaine Pastor, & Joseph S. Edie, William L. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague & J. R. Johnson Elders.  
opened with prayer

Minutes of the last meeting read & approved

The following trustees for the Church & Parsonage were elected & recommended to the Circuit Court of this County for appointment, viz:- William M<sup>c</sup>. Montague, John R. Johnson, John Gardner, Archer A. Phlegar, George L. Jenkins, Thomas E. Sullivan & Harsey S. Walters.

Mr. A. Osborne is received as a member of this Church on letter of diemission from the Presbyterian Church of Covington Va., commending him as a member in good standing, to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson  
C. S.

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JulyFriday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor + Dr. Joseph S. Edie  
James C. Taylor + Jno. R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer

Dr. John C. Wynn is received as a member of this Church on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian Church of Dublin Va, commending him as a member in good standing, to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Jno. R. Johnson, Elder, who was appointed to confer with J. Edie Figgat, Jno. A. Shields + Charles M. Brazg reported that he had had conversations with those brethren in which satisfactory reasons were assigned + the session deems it unnecessary to take any further action

Session then took a recess until Sunday morning 10 o'clock

July

Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup> /78

Session met after recess

Present, Rev Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor + Dr. Joseph S. Edie, James C. Taylor, Wm<sup>o</sup> C. Hagan + Jno R Johnson Elders

Session closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson C. S.

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July

Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of Dr Edie

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & Joseph S. Edie, William C. Hagan, William M<sup>c</sup>B. Montague & Jno. R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer

It having come to the knowledge of the Session by common fame that Wade Taylor a member of this Church has been repeatedly guilty of the sin of drunkenness within the last two months & especially so on Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 1878, the clerk is directed to cite him for trial on this charge at a meeting of the Session to be held at the house of Dr. Joseph S. Edie on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August 1878.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno R Johnson C. S.

August

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & Joseph S. Edie, William C. Hagan & John R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer

The Session having failed to meet for the trial of Wade Taylor a member of this Church charged with drunkenness at the time appointed, to-wit, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of this month; with the consent of the accused, who is present in person, doth now proceed to dispose of the case. And the said Wade Taylor confessing the charge it was unanimously resolved that he be suspended from the Sacraments of the Church until such time as he gives satisfactory evidence of sincere repentance.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

The Clerk is directed to certify to the Session of Rocky Mount Church that Mr & Mrs James B. Mair at the time they left the bounds of this Congregation, to-wit, in Sept 1875, were members of this Church in good & regular standing & were dismissed as such at their own request.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno R Johnson C.S.

September

Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie

Present, Rev. Sanl. Blain Pastor & Joseph S. Edie, Wm. C. Hagan, James B. Taylor & Jno. R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer

Elder James B. Taylor was chosen delegate, & Wm. C. Hagan alternate to represent this Church in the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Falling Spring Church.

The narrative was read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The Clerk is directed to request the Committee appointed at a Congregational meeting to solicit subscriptions to the Pastors Salary remaining unpaid, to report to the Session at the regular meeting in October

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno R Johnson C.S.

1878

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

September

Monday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 1878

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie  
 Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor &  
 J. R. Johnson Elders  
 Opened with prayer

Minutes of the last meeting read & approved

Wm. M. C. Montague Elder is elected <sup>principal</sup> & J. R. Johnson alternate  
 to represent this Church in the next meeting of the  
 Synod of Va, to be held at Abingdon.

Dr. J. C. Wyzor at his own request, is dismissed to unite  
 with any Presbyterian Church within the bounds of which  
 God, <sup>in his providence</sup> may cast his lot

Erastus M. Thomas is received as a member of this Church  
 on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian Church  
 at Concord Tenn, commending him as a member in  
 good standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson C. S.

October

~~Saturday~~  
 Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met in Pastor's Study  
 Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, & W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor &  
 J. R. Johnson Elders.  
 Opened with prayer

Elder J. C. Taylor is appointed to confer with J. C. Morton  
 a member of this Church as to his spiritual condition

1878

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

October

Session then took a recess until to-morrow morning  
10 1/2 o' clock

Sunday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 1878

Session met. after recess - with same present as on yesterday.

adjourned closed with prayer-

Jno R Johnson C.S

1879  
January

1879Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> 1879

Session met at the Pastor's Study  
Present, Rev. San<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor & William C. Hazam, James  
C. Taylor & John R Johnson Elders  
Session opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Elder James C. Taylor reported that he had performed the duty assigned him by the session & had freely conversed with John A. Morton a member of this Church & found that brother's condition, from the spirit manifested, to be encouraging & the session deems it unnecessary to take any further action.

William Wade a member of this church in good & regular standing, is, at his request, hereby dismissed & affectionately commended to the New Providence Presbyterian Church in Rockbridge Co & when received by said Church his peculiar relations with this will cease

Adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno R Johnson C.S

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1879

January

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1879

Session met at the Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor + Joseph S. Edie, Williams  
C. Hagan, James C. Taylor + John R. Johnson Elders  
Session opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read + approved

Jane Montague Junkin + Nannie Bass Montague were  
received as members of this Church on profession of  
their faith in Christ, after the usual examination

Joseph A. Rader + Agnes Jane his wife (who was Agnes  
Jane Wilson) members of this Church in good + regular  
standing are at their request dismissed + affectionately  
commended to the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg  
Va. + when received by said Church, their peculiar re-  
lations with this will cease.

adjourned - Closed with prayer

John R. Johnson C. S.

April

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 1879

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor + Wm. McLo. Montague, Williams C.  
Hagan, J. C. Taylor + J. R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer

Minutes of last meeting read + approved

Wm. McLo. Montague is appointed delegate + John R. Johnson Alter-  
nate to represent this Church in the approaching meeting of  
Presbytery to be held at Amsterdam.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April

Session then took a recess until to-morrow morning 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  o'clock

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 1879

Session met after recess with Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor & J. S. Edie, Wm<sup>c</sup>. C. Hagan & J. A. Johnson Elders present.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. A. Johnson clerk

April

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 1879

Session met in Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor & Wm<sup>c</sup>. C. Hagan, Wm<sup>c</sup>. M. C. Montague, James C. Taylor & J. A. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer.

Minutes last meeting read & approved

The following sessional report to the Presbytery for the year ending 1<sup>st</sup> April 1879, was examined, approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery:-

Number of Elders	6	Funds Collected	
" " Seasons	6	Sustentation	\$ 35.05
Communicants added on Ex.	2	Evangelistic	27.43
" " " Cert.	3	Invalid Fund	29.35
Total of Communicants	187	Foreign Missions	43.07
Adults baptized	1	Education	30.03
Infants "	2	Publication	23.84
Number of baptized Non-Com.	79	Presbyterial	20.00
Number Children in S.S. & bible class	134	Pastor's Salary actually paid	961.33
		Congregational	150.00

The Sunday School report & narrative on the state of religion were read, approved & ordered to be forwarded



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to Presbytery

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno R Johnson Clerk

Examined and approved by Presbytery of Montgomery at Amsterdam, Va., May 2, 1879, as far as written with the following exception: On pages 110, & 112, it is said, "Session took recess until tomorrow."

Jno. C. Dinwiddie.

July

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 1879

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie.

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, J. S. Edie &amp; Wm. C. Hagan Elders. Opened with prayer

Mrs. Maggie V. T. Kent was received as a member of this Church on her profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

August

Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup> 1879

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present. Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor - Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M. Co. Montague &amp; J. R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer

Elders William C. Hagan is elected principal & J. T. Evans alternate to represent this Church at <sup>the</sup> approaching meeting of Presbytery to be held at Locust Bottom

The Pastor is requested to prepare the narrative for Presbytery

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1879-

August.

Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1879

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie.

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & J. S. Edie & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan  
Elders - Opened with prayerThe narrative was read & approved & ordered to be  
forwarded to Presbytery -

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

September

Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup> 1879

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C.  
Hagan & J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayerThe clerk of the session is directed to request John  
A. Morton to appear at a meeting of the Session to be held  
at Dr. Edie's on Thursday Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 1879 for a conference as  
to his spiritual condition.Elder J. R. Johnson is appointed to seek an interview  
with James W. Haymaker a member of this Church & fully  
converse with him as to his spiritual state & the Pastor is  
requested to have a similar conference with Glenn Latimer  
who is also a member of this Church.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

September

Thursday September 18<sup>th</sup> 1879

Session met at the house of Dr. Edie

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, J. S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, J. C.  
Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer -John A. Morton appeared before the Session & after  
a full & free conference with him the Session deems it  
unnecessary to take any further action in his case

Friday before the first Sunday in each month is selected

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as the time for holding the regular meetings of the session -  
adjourned - Closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

October

Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1879

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present. Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Stagan, J. C. Taylor &  
J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer -

Whereas rumors have reached the session that B. W. Hines  
a member of this church has become addicted to the too free  
use of intoxicating liquors - the Clerk of the session is directed  
to notify him to meet with the session at its next regular  
meeting for a conference.

adjourned - Closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

October

Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> 1879

Session met in the Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, W. C. Stagan - J. F. Evans, J. C. Taylor  
& J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer

Rev. S. R. Preston Pastor & Miles S. Thomas Spelling Elder of Blacks-  
burg Church were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Mr. A. D. Simpson, Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Tho. Will Simpson, Miss E. W.  
Simpson & Mrs. Elizabeth Will are received as members of this  
church on letters of dismission from the Mahoning Presbyterian  
Church, Lawrence Co. Penn. commending them to the Christian  
Care, Communion & fellowship of this church

Elders J. C. Taylor is elected principal & J. R. Johnson Alternate  
to represent this church at the next meeting of Synod to be held  
in Danville & the delegate who may attend is also authorized  
to represent this church in any meeting of Presbytery which may  
be held -

adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1879

October

Friday October 31<sup>st</sup> 1879Session met at <sup>Pastor's</sup> Dr. Edie's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, James C. Taylor &amp; J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer -

There being no business, on motion the session adjourned to meet on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of ~~October~~<sup>November</sup> 1879 -

Closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

November

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 1879

Session met at Dr. Edie's

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, &amp; J. S. Edie, J. C. Taylor, W. C. Hagan &amp; J. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer

George P. Hagan was received as a member of this Church on his profession of faith in Christ after the usual examination -

The Pastor reported having seen Glenn Latimer &amp; advises that no further action be taken -

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

December

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 1879

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor &amp; Wm. C. Hagan, William W. C. Montague, J. C. Taylor &amp; J. R. Johnson Elders -

Session opened with prayer -

The Session being informed that the Deacons have failed to have a meeting of their board for several years &amp; deeming it of importance to the interests of the Church that such meetings should be held regularly at least once a quarter they are requested to meet as early as possible for reorganization adjourned - closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

January

Thursday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1880

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present. Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, + Wm. C. Hagan + John R. Johnson Elders. - opened with prayer

Mr. James J. Saunders was received as a member of this Church on his profession of faith in Christ after the usual examination -

Mrs. Ella L. Saunders is received as a member of this Church on letter of dismission from the Presbyterian Church at Winston N. C. commending her as a member in good standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church + also her baptized children Clara Louisa, Eugene Herbert + Lolette -

Mrs. Ella Laekey a member of this Church in good and regular standing is, at her request hereby dismissed + affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Oxford Presbyterian Church in Rockbridge Co. Va. + when received by said Church her peculiar relations with this will cease

adjourned - Closed with prayer

John R. Johnson clk

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 1880

January

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor + Wm. C. Hagan, James C. Taylor + John R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer

There being no regular business before the Session the minutes from the 9<sup>th</sup> July 1879 to 1<sup>st</sup> January 1880 inclusive were read + approved

adjourned - Closed with prayer -

John R. Johnson clk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1880

April

Friday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1880

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor & W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup> W. C. Montague & John R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer - Minutes of last session read and approved.

Mr. J. Wade Barnett & Laura Barnett, members of this Church in good and regular standing, are, at their request, hereby dismissed & affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Franklin Street Presbyterian Church, Baltimore Md. & when received by that Church their peculiar relations with this will cease

James C. Taylor is appointed delegate & John R. Johnson alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held in the City of Lynchburg on the 14<sup>th</sup> of this month

adjourned - closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson Clerk

Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1880

April

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan, James C. Taylor & John R. Johnson Elders -

Opened with prayer - Minutes of the last meeting read &amp; approved.

The Sunday School report and the narrative on the state of religion were read, approved & ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

The following sessional report to the Presbytery for the year ending 1st April 1880 was examined approved and ordered to be forwarded -

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		Funds Collected	
Number of Elders	6.	Sustentation	\$ 35-
" " Seasons	6.	Evangelistic	22-
Communicants added on Ev.	3.	Invalid Fund	24-
" " " Cert.	6.	Foreign Missions	25-
Total Communicants	190.	Education	12.
Adults baptized	0.	Publication	24.
Infants	2.	Presbyterial	20.
No. baptized non-Com.	79.	Pastor's Salary actually paid	77 3/4.
No. Children in S.S. & Bible class	132.	Congregational	116.
		Miscellaneous	46

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

The committee to which was referred the Minutes of the Christiansburg Church, find them excellently kept, & recommend their approval as far as written, with the exception that it does not appear that the delegates to Synod & Presbytery were called upon to report whether they discharged their duty.

Adopted at the Meeting of Presbytery in Lynchburg on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April, 1880.

W. M. McPheters Moderator.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1880  
AprilFriday April 30<sup>th</sup> 1880

Sessions met at Dr. Edie's

Present Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor and Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup>. M<sup>c</sup>. Montague, James L. Taylor & John R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer. Minutes of last meeting read &amp; approved.

Rev. G. A. Miller being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Elder James L. Taylor the delegate appointed to the meeting of Presbytery at Lynchburg reported that he had performed the duties assigned to him.

The deed conveying the Montgomery Female College property to Dr. S. H. Cox containing a provision "that if at any time it should become impracticable for said Cox or his successors to continue the possession of the property for the purposes of a Female College or Female School of high grade then the Elders of this Church were to have twelve months notice & the right of redemption of said property within that time at a price to be determined in the manner set out in said deed; and Mrs. W. S. Pollock the present owner of the property <sup>believing</sup> that she can obtain a purchaser for the same, provided all restrictions and limitations in said deed be removed, so as to enable her to make to the purchaser a fee simple title; and it being very apparent that there are no reasonable prospects <sup>on our part</sup> of being able to purchase said property within the prescribed time & not wishing to throw any impediment in the way of a sale; the session hereby agrees to waive the notice required & for that purpose will execute to Mrs. Pollock any proper instrument releasing its rights in the premises.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

John R. Johnson, Secy



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1880  
Sept.Friday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1880

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. S. Blain Pastor, W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup> B. Montague, James B. Taylor + Jno. R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer.

A congregational meeting is called for Sunday Sept 12<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of considering the propriety of requesting Presbytery to allow a reduction of the Pastors Salary.The treasurer is requested to make a report of the financial condition of the church, showing the arrears of Pastors salary to 1<sup>st</sup> April 1880 + also a statement of the revenues of the church.

Elder James B. Taylor is appointed to investigate the title to the Male Academy property

The following directors for the male Academy were elected: George B. Junkin, W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup> B. Montague, A. A. Phlegar, John Gardner, T. W. Spindle, W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan + J. B. TaylorElder W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan is appointed delegate + J. R. Johnson alternate, to the Presbytery at Floyd Co. W. Va.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Sept.

Saturday Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> 1880

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. S. Blain, Pastor - W. C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup> B. Montague + J. R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer.

The narrative was read, approved + ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1880  
OctoberSunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1880

Session met at Pastors study

Present, Rev S. Blain Pastor, W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan, W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup> Montague, James C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer

Elder W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan reported that he had attended Presbytery at Floyd Co. H. as a delegate from this Church.

Peter W. Reid &amp; Jessie Reid are received as members of this Church from the Presbyterian Church of Homestead, Pa. recommending them as members in good standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Mrs Agnes Parker is received as a member of this Church from the Second United Presbyterian Church of Alleghany Pa, recommending her as a member in good standing to the Christian fellowship of this Church

Mrs Lizzie S. Hollins a member of this Church in good standing at her request is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the 1<sup>st</sup> Edgefield Church Tenn and when received by said Church her responsibility to this will cease.

Mr Augustine Osborn a member of this Church in good standing at his request is hereby dismissed &amp; affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Rocky River Church North Carolina, and when received by said Church his responsibility to this will cease.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson Clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1881  
JanuaryFriday January 7<sup>th</sup> 1881

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. San<sup>d</sup>. Blain Pastor, & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, James C. Taylor  
& J. R. Johnson Elders-

Opened with prayer.

Minutes of the session from April 30<sup>th</sup> to October 10<sup>th</sup> 1880,  
inclusive, were read & approved.It having come to the knowledge of the session, through  
common rumor, that John A. Morton a member of this  
church has been guilty repeatedly in the last few months  
of the sin of drunkenness & profanity, the clerks of the  
session is directed to cite him to answer said charges on  
the 21<sup>st</sup> January 1881-

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

January

Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 1881

Session met at Pastor's Study-

Present, Rev. San<sup>d</sup>. Blain, <sup>Pastor</sup> W<sup>m</sup>. M. C. Montague, James C. Taylor  
& John C. Johnson Elders -

Opened with prayer

Edward B. Gardner was received as a member of this  
church on his professions of faith in Christ after the  
usual examination.

Adjourned - closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

January

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January 1881

Session met at Pastor's Study-

Present, Rev. San<sup>d</sup>. Blain Pastor & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan, James C.  
Taylor & Jno. R. Johnson Elders

Opened with prayer -

John A. Morton appeared before the session in answer to the

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citation which was regularly served upon him & confessing the charge, it was unanimously resolved that he be suspended from the sacraments of the Church until such time as he gives satisfactory evidence of sincere repentance -  
adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Jos. R. Johnson clerk

Friday February 4<sup>th</sup> 1881

February

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan, Wm. M<sup>c</sup>C Montague, & Jos. R. Johnson Elders -

Opened with prayer -

John L. Hagan a member of this church <sup>in</sup> good standing at his request is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Big Lick W<sup>va</sup> & when received by said church his responsibility to this will cease -

adjourned - closed with prayer -

Jos. R. Johnson clerk

Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> 1881.

March

Session met at Alleghany Church, which is in the bounds of this Congregation

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, Wm. M<sup>c</sup>C. Montague, D. J. I. Evans and J. C. Taylor Elders -

Opened with prayer.

Allen J. Eskridge was received as a member of this Church on profession of his faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Eskridge was received as a member of this Church on a certificate of dismission from the Presbyterian Church at Calum given in 1870, the session being well assured of her Christian Character and

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satisfied with the reasons which prevented an earlier presentation of her certificates.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

David Blair Mod.

Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1881.

April.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. David Blair Pastor, William C. Hagan and James C. Taylor Elders.

Opened with prayer.

A communication was received from Capt John A. Johnson, our beloved brother in the Eldership, who has recently removed from our midst, tendering his resignation as Clerk of the Session, which was accepted. The Pastor was requested to act as Clerk of Session for the present.

A. J. Evans was appointed delegate and Wm McMontague alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Buchanan on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May. Elders Wm C. Hagan and the Pastor were appointed to prepare the reports for Presbytery.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

David Blair Mod.

Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup> 1881.

April.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present Rev David Blair, Pastor, William C. Hagan and James C. Taylor, Elders.

Opened with prayer. The minutes of Session from Jan'y 7<sup>th</sup> to April 13<sup>th</sup> inclusive were read and approved.

The Sessional narrative of the State of Religion, and the Sunday School report were read approved & ordered

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to be forwarded to Presbytery -

The following Statistical report of the Session to Presbytery for the year ending with March 31<sup>st</sup> 1881, was examined, approved and ordered to be forwarded.

Number of Elders	6	Funds Collected.	
" " Deacons	6	Sustentation	\$ 107.50
Communicants added on Examination	2	Evangelistic	24.00
" " " Certificate	4	Invalid Fund.	23.00
Total of Communicants	182	Foreign Missions	50.00
Adults Baptized	—	Educative	15.00
Infants " "	7	Publication	15.00
No. Baptized Non Communicants	—	Presbyterial	17.50
" Children in S. S. & Bible Class.	100	Pastor's Salary actually paid.	832.00
		Congregational	360.00
		Miscellaneous	60.00

Mrs Lizzie D. Withers (nee Pierce) a member of this Church in good and regular standing is, at her own request, freely dismissed and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Abingdon Va and when received by that Church her peculiar relation to this will cease -

Adjourned - Closed with prayer -

Dan Blain Moderator

Examined & approved as far as written - Buchanan May 6. 1881.

J. R. Preston Moderator

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1881

July.

Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 1881.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>e</sup> Blain, Pastor, William C. Hagan, N. J. Evans and J. C. Taylor, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs Sophia A. Hurley and Miss Grace Smetman were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith, after the usual examination.

Mr. W. J. Cherry, a member of this Church in good standing was at his own request dismissed and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Ebony, Mo. or of any other Church of our Communion with which God in his Providence may order his lot &amp; when so received, his special relation to this Church will cease.

Mr. James McMurrain, formerly a member of this Church, whose name, owing to his removal, was placed on the retired list in 1869, and whose place of residence has long been unknown to the Session, now applies for a certificate of dismission to the Church at Hillsville in Carroll County. It was ordered that the Clerk of Session certify the facts to the Church at Hillsville as the only response we can make to this request.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dan<sup>e</sup> Blain Moderator.

July.

Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 1881.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present Rev. Dan<sup>e</sup> Blain, Pastor, William C. Hagan and John W. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs Virginia M. Barnett and Mrs Fannie L. Wade were received as members of this Church on profession of their faith, after the usual examination.

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Adjourned - Closed with prayer.  
 David Blain Moderator.

September

Saturday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 1881

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor. Wm. C. Hagan and James C. Taylor, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the meetings of Session July 8<sup>th</sup> & July 9<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

Wm. M. C. Montague was appointed delegate and J. C. Taylor alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Piedmont Church on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of Sept.

The narrative of the state of religion in this Church was read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.  
 David Blain Moderator

October

Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> 1881

Session met in the Church.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor, A. Jos. S. Eadie and Wm. C. Hagan, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

A. J. Evans, was appointed delegate and Wm. C. Hagan alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Synod to be held at Petersburg, beginning Nov 1<sup>st</sup>

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

David Blain Moderator



1882

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

January

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. David Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan and Wm. M. C. Montague, Elders.

Opened with prayer - The minutes of the meetings of Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> & Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1881, were read and approved.Mrs. Ann C. Pheggar, Capt and Mrs. John W. Johnson (with their children Andrew M. Sue E. Lettie H & John W. Jr) and Miss Lucy Pauline Barnes, members of this Church in good standing, were, at their own request, dismissed and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church of St Louis Mo. and when so received their special relation to this Church will cease -

Mrs C. Alice Agie (nee Fawcender) a member of this Church in good standing, was, at her own request dismissed and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Martins Station, Pulaski Co., Va and when so received, her special relation to this Church will cease.

Mr Russel Keopler and Mr John C. Laurence members of this Church, having failed for a long time to attend Church and the Communion of the Lords Supper, Mr. Wm. M. C. Montague, was appointed on behalf of the Session to visit and converse with them about their spiritual state, and report.

The Pastor was requested to write to Rev. W. H. Ochiltree Pastor of New River Church, with reference to Mr Geo. B. Radford and his wife Mrs Margaret C. Radford, members of this Church, who are said to be living in the bounds of New River Church.

Adjourned: Closed with prayer.

David Blain Moderator

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1882

January

Monday January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1882

Session met in Pastor's Study.

Present Rev. Saml. Plain Pastor & Joseph  
S. Eddie W. C. Hagan, Dr J. T. Evans and W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>r</sup> C.  
Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting  
were read, and approved.

Wm Montague reported that he had visited Mr. Kepler  
and found him employed as a bar-keeper in one of  
the grogshops or saloons of the town - & further  
that while Mr. Kepler still claimed to be a Christian,  
he gave no satisfactory signs for his failure to attend  
upon the ordinary services of the church and upon  
the sacrament of the Lord's supper. After a careful  
consideration of this case the session appointed the  
Pastor to have an interview with Mr. Kepler and  
advise him of their disapproval of his course, to  
dissuade him from a longer continuance <sup>in</sup> his present  
business, which they deem inconsistent with his Christian  
profession, & urge upon him the resumption of his Chris-  
tian duties. The Pastor is also to inform Mr. Kepler, if  
necessary, that should he fail to follow their advice, they  
will be under obligation to proceed against him as an  
offender. The pastor reported having written to Mr. O'Connell  
as directed. Under the rule (in "Rules of Discipline" Chap. XV. par.  
IV.) it was ordered that the names of the following  
persons be placed on the roll of retired members, namely  
George Bane, Mrs. Francina L. Bane, James C. Waddell,  
Jas. M. Montague, J. C. Kofer, Saml. M. Nyle, J. Fred  
Miller. Under (Chapter XV par. II. Rules of Discipline.) it  
was directed that dismissal be forwarded to Miss Cynthia  
Teanay (now Mrs. Cynthia Bane) Miss Annie W. Lipscomb -  
John A. Shields and J. Nyle Robinson they having removed

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and failed to apply for dismission. The pastor was requested to inquire as to whether the following named persons, who have been living for twelve months or more, out of our bounds; are living within the bounds of any church to which we can dismiss them, and report, namely Mr. John Teany, Mrs Sarah Teany, Mr Debert M. Gardner Mrs. Mary Gardner and Mrs Julia A Montague. It being a matter of public notoriety that Mr James W. Haymaker a member of this Church, has become grossly intemperate in his habits, and members of this session having dealt with him in private with a view to his reform without avail, the clerk of the session is hereby directed to cite him to appear and answer to the said charge at a meeting of session which is to be held at pastor's study on Monday February 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 O' clock P.M. On motion Mr W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>. Montague was unanimously elected clerk of session, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Mr Jno R Johnston. Adjourned - Closed with prayer -

David Blair  
Moderator.

1882.  
March

Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. 1882.

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present Rev. D Blair Wm<sup>m</sup> Le Stagan & W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup> Montague Elders. Opened with prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read, & approved. A quorum of session met at pastor's study on Monday July. 5<sup>th</sup> but owing to the absence of the clerk and not knowing whether Mr James Haymaker had been cited as directed or not, <sup>the</sup> meeting was not organized. The clerk of session now reports that he cited Mr Haymaker by mail 12 days prior to the 5<sup>th</sup> July. Session having since learned that Mr Haymaker was probably away from his home the clerk is therefore directed to ascertain whether this be

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True, and if so, to again cite him to appear at the next regular meeting of the Session, giving him at least 10 days notice of time and place of meeting— Mr Montague reported that he had waited on Mr John Lawrence as directed, and Mr Lawrence admitted, that he had not been living a Christian life, and "supposed that he had been turned out of" the church." Upon the general charge of Mr Lawrence's having absented himself from the house of God, & his having failed to observe the sacraments of the Lord's supper habitually for more than twelve months and from the tenor of his conversation with committee. On motion it is ordered, that Clerk of Session cite Mr Lawrence to appear before the Session at its next regular meeting—

The Pastor is not prepared to report in the case of Mr Rufel A. Nepler— he also reports that Mr Robert M. Gardner and wife are not situated so as to connect themselves with another Presbyterian Church and desire to remain in this— Mr John Teany and wife desiring to connect themselves with New River Church the Clerk is ordered to forward to them Certificate of dismission. Miss Isabella Lee Hagan was dismissed at her own request, and affectionately recommended to the fellowship of Boulder Church, Colorado, or any other church with which God in his providence may order her lot, & when so received her special relation with this church will cease. Adjourned— Closed with prayer.

Wm Mc Montague Clerk. S.

1882

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April

Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1882

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. H. W. Beain, Pastor, A. J. F. Edie and William C. Hagan, Elders.

Opened with prayer

Mr. James W. Haymester appeared in accordance with the citation of Session, and gave reasons entirely satisfactory for his failure to answer the first citation - as to the second citation, he did appear at the Pastor's study on the day it named, but by an error of the Clerk, the wrong day was designated in the citation. At the suggestion of the Pastor then made, formalities were waived and he appeared this morning. The charge upon which Mr. Haymester was cited, was read and explained to him: Whereupon, declining to take issue, he fully confessed his fault as charged. After a full and satisfactory conversation with him as to his repentance & the ground of the faith which he still professed, it was resolved by the Session to take no action further than informally to admonish him of his guilt and exhort him to be more circumspect and watchful in future.

The seasonal narrative of the State of religion in this Church, and the Sunday School report, were read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The following Statistical report of Session to Presbytery for the year ending with March 31<sup>st</sup> 1882, was examined, approved and ordered to be forwarded.

No. of Elders	5
" " Deacons	6
Communicants added on examination	4
" " " Certificate	—
Total of Communicants	175

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Adults Baptized	—
Infants Baptized	5
Number of Baptized New Communicants	—
"    "    Children in Sabbath School & Bible Class	98
Funds Collected.	
Sustentation	75.81
Evangelistic	26.76
Invalid Fund	44.72
Foreign Missions	99.70
Education	20.78
Publication	22.00
Presbyterial	24.00
Pastors Salary actually paid	804.00
Congregational	200.00
Miscellaneous	103.00

Mr. Wm. M. C. Montague was appointed delegate and  
 N. J. Evans alternate to represent this Church at  
 the meeting of Presbytery to be held in the first Pres-  
 byterian Church, Lynchburg, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of this  
 month.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dawd Blain Modn

The Committee to which was referred  
 the Minutes of the Christiansburg  
 Church find them well kept and  
 recommend their approval as  
 far as matters adopted by Presbytery in  
 Session at Lynchburg E. C. Gordon  
 April 14<sup>th</sup> 1882 Moderator

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Friday August 4<sup>th</sup> 1882.

At a meeting of the session held at Pastor's study Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, Dr Joseph S. Edie, James C. Taylor & Wm M. C. Montague Elders. Session opened with prayer.

August 1882 The Pastor reported an unsatisfactory conversation with Mr Rufel Kepler and at his suggestion session directed the clerk to invite Mr Kepler to appear before it for conversation as to his spiritual state, at the next meeting.

The citation sent by the clerk some time ago to Mr John C. Lawrence having failed to reach him, the clerk is directed to issue another upon the same grounds as the former, for him to appear at our meeting on Tuesday evening August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Pastor reported that on Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup> he called a meeting of session to be held at the room of Mr Julius Grey Charlton of this place, for the purpose of receiving him into the church, he being very ill and having been desirous for some time to connect himself with the people of God. The Pastor and Elder Wm C. Hagar met at Mr Charlton's room a little before the hour appointed Rev. C. A. Miller, being present, and found that Mr Charlton's condition was such that they would not be able to proceed if they waited, & as Mr Charlton was looked for to die at any moment & was extremely anxious to confess Christ, they determined to proceed at once, and after the most satisfactory examination Mr Charlton was received into the church and baptized by the Pastor. The session thereupon unanimously confirmed this action as their own and ordered Mr Charlton's name to be entered on our rolls as received on Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1882 —

On Motion Elder Wm M. C. Montague was appointed

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To prepare the narrative on the state of Religion  
for the approaching meeting of Presbytery.

Adjourned to meet Tuesday Aug 15<sup>th</sup> at  
4 O.C. P.M. at Pastors study.

Closed with prayer.

Wm Mc. Montague Elder S.

August 1882

Tuesday August 15<sup>th</sup> 1882 4. O.C. P.M.

Sepion met according to adjournment.

Present The Pastor Rev. Daniel Blair and Wm C.  
Hagan & Dr Jonathan T. Evans Elders.

In the absence of the clerk of Sepion and of  
the parties who were to appear this evening, and  
not knowing whether the citation of Mr John Lawrence  
& the request to Mr Rufel Rippler were attended  
to, Sepion could take no action with reference to  
those cases.

Meeting adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Dan. Blair Moderator

August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1882.

At a meeting of the Sepion held at the Pastors  
study Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor & Joseph S.  
Edie, Dr J. T. Evans & Wm Mc. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer

The clerk of Sepion reported his having cited  
Mr John L. Lawrence to appear before the Sepion  
and answer to the charge of "having absented"  
"himself from the house of God, & his having failed"  
"to observe the sacraments of the Lords supper"  
"for more than twelve months" — & he failing  
to appear on motion it is ordered that he  
be again cited to appear before the Sepion  
at the hour of 4 O.C. on the 1st day of Sept<sup>r</sup>



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August 1882<sup>3</sup> next, and unless he do so appear, he will be dealt with according to the Book of Discipline, in such case made & provided.

The Clerk on motion was again directed to request Mr Rufel A Kepler to appear at next regular meeting of Sepion.

W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>. Montague read the narrative prepared on the state of religion & the same was adopted.

On motion W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>. Montague was appointed Principal and Dr J. T. Evans alternate to attend presbytery to meet at New River Church in this County.

Closed with prayer.

W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>. Montague Clerk. S.

September

September 1st 1882

Sepion met at Pastors Study

Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor W<sup>m</sup> L. Hagan & W<sup>m</sup> M<sup>c</sup>. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mr John L. Lawrence having been cited to appear before the Sepion to answer the charge of having absented himself from divine service and attendance upon the Sacraments of the Lords supper for more than twelve months - & having refused to appear and answer said charges. he is hereby suspended from sealing ordinarances for his contumacy -

Mr Rufel A. Kepler still failing to appear before the Sepion. on motion the following was adopted. "It being well known to the Church & Sepion that Mr Rufel A. Kepler has absented himself from attendance upon worship and the sacraments, for more than twelve months & having refused after being twice requested to appear"

J. L. Lawrence  
suspended

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September 3<sup>rd</sup> "before the Session for the purpose of conversation as"  
 "to his religious status ~~to appear~~; Resolved, that"  
 "he be cited to appear before the Session and"  
 "shew cause, if any he can, why he should"  
 "not be dealt with for said neglect of duty"  
 "and failure to appear <sup>before</sup> the Session Friday"  
 "15<sup>th</sup> Sept at this place."

On motion Mrs Julia A. Montague was  
 dismissed to Sinking Creek Church & the Clerk  
 was directed to give her a letter of dismissal.

W<sup>m</sup> Mc. Montague reported his diligence  
 in attending the meeting of Presbytery to which  
 he was appointed -

Closed with prayer

W<sup>m</sup> Mc. Montague Clerk S.

Friday Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, W<sup>m</sup> C.  
 Stagan, Jas. C. Taylor & W<sup>m</sup> Mc. Montague Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mr E. C. Thomas was received as a member of  
 this Church on certificate of dismissal from  
 Whitehouse Church.

Miss Lizzie Wade was also received as a  
 member of this Church on certificate from  
 Session of Springfield Presbyterian Church Tennessee

Mrs Margaret C. Wade a member of this Church  
 in good and regular standing is at her own request  
 dismissed to unite with Grove Street Church Rich-  
 mond Va & the Clerk of session is directed to  
 give her the usual certificate -

The same order was made in the case of

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Miss Melisa Harvey and Mrs. Folsom to unite with  
New River Church.

Wm. Mc. Montague reported having sent required  
notice on Rufel A. Kefler, & he failing to appear  
no action was taken. The Pastor being called on to  
visit the sick bed of Mrs. F. Pierce one of the  
members of this Church.

Wm. Mc. Montague was appointed Prin-  
cipal & Dr. Johnathan J. Evans alternate to attend  
The Synod of Va. at its next meeting Oct 17<sup>th</sup>  
next, at Charleston Kanawha Co. West Va.  
The session then adjourned, closed with prayer.  
Wm. Mc. Montague Secy.

October

Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Session met at the house of Mr. James P. Charleton  
in the bounds of this congregation.

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan  
Jas. C. Taylor, Elders.

Rev. C. A. Miller, being present was invited to  
sit with us as a corresponding member.

Opened with prayer.

The object of the meeting was to receive Mrs. J. P.  
Charleton, who is an invalid, into the Church.

After a satisfactory examination she was received  
and baptized and then the sacrament of the Lords  
Supper was administered and partaken of by a  
number of persons present.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Danl. Blain Mod.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April

Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Dau<sup>d</sup> Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor, Elders, & Rev. G. A. Wilson.  
Opened with prayer.

Miss Alice Brent Pierce, was received as a member of this Church on profession of her faith, after the usual examination.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dau Blain Modr.

April

Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Dau<sup>d</sup> Blain, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor, Elders, & Rev. G. A. Wilson.  
Opened with prayer.

J. Mercer Blain, was received as a member of this Church, on profession of his faith, after the usual examination.

Miss Maggie F. Simpson, was received as a member of this Church, on a certificate of dismission from the Presbyterian Church at Poland Ohio.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dau Blain Modr.

April

Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Session met at Pastor's Study,

Present, Rev. Dau<sup>d</sup> Blain, Pastor, William C. Hagan, N. J. J. Evans & James C. Taylor, Elders.  
Opened with prayer.

The minutes of previous meetings not heretofore reviewed.

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were read and after amendment approved.

A Certificate of membership and good standing in this Church up to the time she removed from here, was granted, to Mrs May L. Stone (Formerly Montague) she having lost the certificate granted her in 1873, and now desiring to connect herself with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church of Bristol, Tenn.

Mr. Thos. Will Simpson, a member in good & regular standing in this Church, was at his own request, dismissed to connect himself with the Presbyterian Church of Roanoke, Va.

The Sessional narrative of the state of religion in this Church, and the Sunday School report, were read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The following statistical report of session to Presbytery for the year ending with March 31<sup>st</sup> 1883, was examined, approved and ordered to be forwarded.

Elders	4
Deacons	6
Communicants added on examination	2
Communicants added on Certificate	2
Total of Communicants	170
Adult Baptisms	2
Infant Baptisms	4
Baptized non-Communicants	
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible-Classes	103
Teachers in Sabbath School & Bible-Classes	16
Funds Collected.	
Sustentation	\$ 75.65
Evangelistic	26.50
Invalid Fund	27.60
Foreign Missions	110.75

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Education	23.33
Publication	24.00
Tuscaloosa Institute (Coe)	9.75
Presbyterial	19.80
Pastors Salary, actually paid	805.00
Congregational	205.33
Miscellaneous	125.00

Maj James C. Taylor, was appointed delegate and A. J. Evans, alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery, to be held at Liberty on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Saml. Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>

Examined and approved as far as written in Presbytery at Liberty April 19<sup>th</sup> 1883.

J. G. Shefferson,

Moderator

1883

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

June

Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study -  
Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor and Elders Joseph S. Edie  
Wm. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor

Opened with prayer

The following persons were present & were taken under the care of the session as candidates for Church membership, viz: Ed. S. Hagan, Holman Gardner, Lynn Shelton, Clyde Shelton, Lucille Spindle - Lucy Virginia McFarland & Lora Mills.

Several others appeared, but it was thought that being very young they needed further instruction  
adjourned - closed with prayer

Daniel Blain  
Mod'r.

July

Saturday July 14<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study  
Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor & Elders D. Joseph S. Edie & Wm. C. Hagan

Opened with prayer

The following persons presented themselves & were received into the Church on examination & profession of their faith in Christ, viz: Lucy Virginia McFarland, Edwin Sheppard Hagan, Lynn Shelton, Rev. Holman Gardner, Clyde Shelton & Mary Craig Miller

Miss Octavia Fowlkes is received as a member of this Church on certificate from the Chatham Presbyterian Church, Pittsylvania Co. Va

Miss Lizzie Wade a member of this Church in good standing at her request is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Johnson City Tenn. & when received by said Church her peculiar relations to this will cease

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The Pastor as acting clerk of the session is directed to cite Charles M. Bragg to appear before the session on Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup> 1883 at 4 o'clock P.M. to answer the charge, made by common fame, of ante-nuptial fornication.

William M<sup>c</sup>C. Montague, Mr. ~~Henrietta~~ Henrietta Montague, Miss Rosa Montague & Mr. Nora Latimer members of this church <sup>in good standing</sup> at their request, are hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Warrenton, Fagvier Co. Va & when received by said church their peculiar relations to this will cease.

John A. Shields a member of this church in good standing, at his request, is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Omaha Neb. & when received by said church his peculiar relations to this will cease.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Dan<sup>l</sup> Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>

July

Sunday Morning, July 15<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present. Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & Elders Joseph S. Edie, W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan & James C. Taylor

Opened with prayer

Miss Lelia Rhodes Hurley is received as a member of this church, on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Dan<sup>l</sup> Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>



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August

Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Pastor & Elders Wm. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor

Opened with prayer

The case of Mr Charles M. Bragg was taken up and a letter addressed to the session was read in which Mr. Bragg makes a full and candid confession of his guilt, & at the same time declares his repentance & hopes that he had obtained forgiveness - One member of the session present asked to be excused from voting in the case because of his relationship to Mr Bragg. The session being unable to take action adjourned to meet on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 4 P.M.

Closed with prayer

Dan. Blain

Mod?

August

Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at the Alleghany Church in the bounds of this congregation.

Present, Rev. G. A. Kehler & Elders J. T. Evans & James C. Taylor. Rev. G. A. Miller who was present was invited to sit as a corresponding member & in the absence of the pastor to preside

Opened with prayer

G. A. Charlton is received as a member of this church on his profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination

Closed with prayer

Dan. Blain

Clerk pro. Tem.

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September

Sunday Morning September 16<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met in Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain Pastor, & Elders D. Joseph S. Edie  
Wm. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor

Opened with prayer

Miss Mary Ellen Cogan was received into this church  
on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual  
examination

adjourned - closed with prayer

Danl. Blain

Mod?

October

Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor & Elders Wm. C. Hagan  
& James C. Taylor.

Opened with prayer

Lucille Claiborne Spindle is received into this church  
on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual  
examination.The case of Charles M. Bragg was taken up and it was  
resolved by the session in view of the evidence given  
by Mr. Bragg of his repentance & purpose by God's  
grace to lead a Christian life that no further action  
is needed in his case.On motion a certificate of dismission was granted  
him to the Presbyterian Church at Covington Va &  
when received by said Church his peculiar relations  
to this will cease.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Danl. Blain

Mod?

1883

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

October

Sunday Morning October 14<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present. Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor, & Elders W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor

Opened with prayer.

Mr<sup>s</sup>. Elizabeth S. Taylor formerly a member of the Tabb St. Church Petersburg Va., having lost her certificate, presented satisfactory evidence of her Church membership & the session being well acquainted with her and having confidence in her, received her into the membership of this church.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Danl. Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>?

October

Sunday Morning October 28<sup>th</sup> 1883

Session met at the close of public worship, in the Church

Present. Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor & Elders W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan & James C. Taylor.

Opened with prayer

Elder J. T. Evans was chosen as principal & Elder James C. Taylor as alternate to represent this church at the meeting of Synod to be held in Charlottesville Va., on Tuesday October 30<sup>th</sup> 1883.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

Danl. Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>?

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1884  
JanuarySaturday Jan'y 12<sup>th</sup> 1884

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. San<sup>d</sup>. Blain Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan  
& J. C. Taylor - Opened with prayerMiss Maggie Lee Figgat was received as a member  
of this church on her profession of faith in Christ  
after the usual examination

adjourned. Closed with prayer

Dan<sup>d</sup>. BlainMod<sup>r</sup>

April

Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1884

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. San<sup>d</sup>. Blain Pastor & Elders J. C.  
Taylor & W<sup>m</sup>. C. Hagan - Opened with prayerRobert Creed Taylor was received as a member  
of this church on his profession of faith in Christ  
after the usual examinationMr<sup>s</sup> M. C. Wade was received as a member of this  
church on certificate from the Grace-Street Church  
Richmond Va.The following persons were also received as  
members on certificates from their respective churches  
viz: Mr<sup>s</sup>. A. S. McClanahan & Miss Mattie L. Thomas  
from White House Church & Mr<sup>s</sup> Sarah Simpson  
from Mahoningtown, Presbyterian Church Pa.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Dan<sup>d</sup>. BlainMod<sup>r</sup>

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April

Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1884

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain Pastor &amp; Elders W.C. Hagan &amp; J. C. Taylor - Opened with prayer

Susan Smith Hagan was received as a member of this church on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination

adjourned - closed with prayer

Saml. Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>

May

Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> 1884

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan &amp; J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.

The minutes of previous meetings not heretofore reviewed were read &amp; after amendment, approved.

A certificate of membership & good standing in this church up to the time of their removal from here was granted to Mr. James J. Saunders & Ella L. Saunders his wife who had been placed on the retired list, they having applied for the same for the purpose of connecting themselves with the Presbyterian Church at <sup>Springport</sup> Wytheville Va

The Seasonal Narrative of the state of religion in this church &amp; the Sunday School report were read, approved &amp; ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery

The following Statistical report of session to Presbytery for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1884 was examined approved & ordered to be forwarded:-

Elders	4
Deacons	6
Communicants added on Examination	13

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Communicants added on Certificate	1
Adult baptisms	6
Infant "	2
Total of Communicants	171
Baptized non-Communicants	
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible classes	114
Teachers in " " " "	19
Funds Collected	
Sustentation	\$ 91-
Evangelistic	32-
Invalid Fund	32-
Foreign Missions	89.
Education	22-
Publication	21.
Tuscaloosa Institute (Colored)	
Presbyterial	29-
Pastors Salary actually paid	801-
Congregational	544.
Miscellaneous	47.

Elder W. L. Hagan was appointed delegate & J. C. Taylor alternate to represent this church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Covington on the 6<sup>th</sup> May 1884  
 adjourned - closed with prayer

Dan. Blain

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

July -

Sunday Morning, July 27<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Dav<sup>d</sup>. Blain, Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan & J. C. Dayler -

Opened with prayer -

Mr. W. R. Bryan, his wife Mrs. Mary J. Bryan & their child Snow, a baptized members of the Church, at their request, are hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at or near Waterford, Loudon County Va. & when received by said Church, their secular relations to this will cease -

Adjourned -

Closed with prayer.

Dav<sup>d</sup>. BlainMod<sup>r</sup>.

September

Monday Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1884.

Session met at S. Edin's.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, &amp; Elders Jo. S. Edin &amp; W. C. Hagan -

Opened with prayer -

Elder J. C. Dayler was appointed delegate & S. J. Evans alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Peaks Church -

The following gentlemen were appointed a Board of Directors for the Male Academy for this Session - viz:

Geo. G. Juwcin, W. C. Hagan, A. A. Phegan, J. W. Johnson, Chas. J. Wade, J. W. Spindler, J. H. Montague & Rev. D. Blain -

Adjourned -

Closed with prayer -

Dav<sup>d</sup>. BlainMod<sup>r</sup>.

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September

Sunday Evening Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Session, met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor + Elders J. B. Edie, J. C. Taylor + W. C. Hagan - Opened with prayer.

Mrs Fannie Judson + Mrs Marnie Stone, were received as members of this Church on certificates from Catawba Church -

Miss Edna Henry Turpin a baptized member of the Church, was received as a member of this Church on her profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Adjourned -

Closed with prayer -

Dan<sup>l</sup> BlainMod<sup>r</sup>.

October

Friday Night, October 17<sup>th</sup> 1884

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor + Elders W. C. Hagan J. C. Taylor - Opened with prayer -

Agnes McClanahan Wade, a baptized member of the Church was received as a member of this Church on her profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Elder J. O. Evans was appointed delegate J. C. Taylor alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Synod to be held at Wytheville, Va.

Adjourned -

Closed with prayer.

Dan<sup>l</sup> BlainMod<sup>r</sup>.



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October.

Sunday Morning, October 19<sup>th</sup> 1884.

Session met in Pastors Study.

Present Rev. Dau<sup>t</sup> Blain, Pastor, & Elders W.C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor -

Opened with prayer -

William McCleary Jensen, a baptizid member of the Church, was received as a member of this Church on his profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Mr. Aaron Graham, was received from White Honor Church in Artificute - This Church has no session & Mr. Graham is certizid to this Church by Rev. C. A. Miller - Pastor -

Adjourned -

closed with prayer -

Dau<sup>t</sup> Blain  
Mod<sup>r</sup>

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January

Sunday Morning, Januy 11<sup>th</sup> 1885.

Session met in Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Dau<sup>t</sup> Blain, Pastor. Elders W.C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor -

Opened with prayer -

Miss Euphemia Duncan Simpson, was received as a member of this Church, on her profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Mrs. Alice Brent Weller, at her own request is hereby dismissed to the Presbyterian Church at Covington, Ky.

Adjourned -

closed with prayer -

Dau<sup>t</sup> Blain  
Mod<sup>r</sup>

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April

Monday Morning, April 27<sup>th</sup> 1885.

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor & Elders W.C. Hagan & J.C. Dayler. Opened with prayer.

Mrs Bettie M. Witten (nee Stephens) at her own request is hereby dismissed to the Presbyterian Church at Abingdon.

Mrs. Maria Gardner, Mr. S. Ingers Gardner &amp; Mrs. Ed. G. Gardner, at their own request are hereby dismissed to connect themselves with the Presbyterian Church at Plant City Fla.

The Sessional narrative of the State of Religion in this Church &amp; the Sunday School report, were read approved &amp; ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The following Statistical report of Session to Presbytery for the year ending 31 March 1885, was examined, approved &amp; ordered to be forwarded -

Elders	4
Deacons	5
Communicants added on examination	6
" " " Certificate	7
Total of Communicants	170
Adult Baptisms	
Infant "	6
Baptized non-communicants	
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible Classes	111
Teachers " " " " "	17

## Funds Collected.

Sustentation	71.94
Evangelistic	38.61
Invalid Fund	28.58
Foreign Missions	92.12
Education	25.10

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Publication	24.74
Juskalowa Institute (covered)	8.95
Presbyterial	15.00
Pastors' Salaries actually paid	800.00
Congregational	711.85
Miscellaneous	43.00

Elder N. J. I. Evans, was appointed delegate & W. C. Hagan, alternate to represent this church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held here, beginning to-morrow -

Adjourned -

Closed with prayer -  
 Saml. Blaine  
 Mod<sup>r</sup>.

Examined in Dulying at Christiansburg 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1<sup>st</sup> 1885 -  
 and approved as far as written except -  
 that the attendance of delegates to Dulying & Synod is not  
 verified.

Edw. D. Washburn.  
 Moderator.

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May

Saturday ~~May~~ May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.

Mr<sup>s</sup>. Ann C. Phlegar, Capt and Mr<sup>s</sup>. Jno. R. Johnson & Miss Pauline Barnes related to the session their desire to be received into this church, they being members of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church of St Louis, and having applied for certificates of dismissal from that church which have not yet come. The session, being acquainted with all the facts, received them into membership.

Lettie Hooper Johnson was taken under the care of the session as a candidate for church membership. in consideration of her age, she being a child only 10 years old.

Mr. W. F. Hickok & Ella his wife, at their request, are hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Salem Va and when received by that church their peculiar relations to this will cease.

Mr<sup>s</sup>. Nannie B. Tenneyson (nee Montague) at her request is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke Va. and when received by that church her peculiar relations to this will cease.

Adjourned - closed with prayer

Sam<sup>l</sup> Blain

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May

Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan  
& J. C. Taylor - Opened with prayer.S<sup>r</sup>. Sarius S. Lester & Randolph H. Blain were received  
into this church on their profession of faith in Christ  
after the usual examination.Jesse Reid was taken under the care of the session  
as a candidate for church membership.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain  
Mod<sup>r</sup>.

July

Sunday July 2<sup>6</sup><sup>th</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, & Elders W. C. Hagan  
& J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.The session deeming it necessary to have an additional  
elder elected in this church, request the pastor to give  
notice that on this day two weeks, which will be the 9<sup>th</sup>  
day of August, immediately after the morning service, there  
will be an election held for such additional elder.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain  
Mod<sup>r</sup>.

August

August 9<sup>th</sup> 1885. The congregation pursuant to notice, pro-  
ceeded to elect an elder. Whereupon John R. Johnson  
was duly elected, the communing members of the church  
only voting

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August.

Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain, Pastor, &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan &amp; J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.

At a congregational meeting which was held on last Sunday John R. Johnson was chosen to be a ruling elder in this church. He having signified his acceptance of the office, the session proceeded to the church where he was duly installed by the pastor according to the requirements of the book of church order & immediately took his seat as a member of the session.

After preaching session adjourned with prayer

Danl. Blain

Mod<sup>r</sup>

August

Sunday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor &amp; Jos. R. Johnson. Opened with prayer.

Elder J. R. Johnson was elected clerk of session.

Elders Johnson was appointed delegate & W. C. Hagan alternate, to represent this church at Presbtery which meets at Falling Springs church.

adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jos. R. Johnson clerk

October

Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor &amp; Jos. R. Johnson. Opened with prayer.

Miss Adelaide Simpson was received a member of

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this church, on certificate from the 1st Presbyterian Church of Los Angeles, Cal.

Elder Hagan reported that he had attended Presbytery at Falling Springs Church

Elders J. T. Evans was appointed principal & Jno. R. Johnson alternate to represent this church at the approaching meeting of synod which convenes at Lynchburg. adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

October

Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 1885

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor & Jno. R. Johnson. Opened with prayer.

Jessie W. Reid who has been under the care of the session was received into the church on profession of her faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

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January

Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> 1886

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor, & Elders W. C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor - Opened with prayer

Mary L. Wade and Luara M<sup>c</sup>D. Pierce was received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Robert L. Taylor a member of this church in good standing, at his request is hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the 4<sup>th</sup> Presbyterian

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Church Richmond Va, and when received by that church his peculiar relations to this will cease.

A. T. Eckridge and Ellen M. his wife, members of this church in good standing, at their request are hereby dismissed & affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the White House Church at Shawesville in this County and when received by that church their peculiar relations to this will cease.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Daniel Blain

Mod?

Saturday January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1886

January

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain, Pastor, & W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor & Jno. R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer.

The following persons were received into the church on a profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination, viz:- Mary M. McFarland, Clyde Charlton, Lesta B. Harris, Lucretia G. Kirby, Dizzie Kent Cowan, Mary C. Cowan & Minnie J. Pratt.

Elder Jno. R. Johnson reported that he was unavoidably detained from attending the Synod at Lynchburg & the pastor stated that Elder J. T. Evans, the alternate was also prevented from attending the sessions of that body. adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk



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January

Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> 1886

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, & Elders W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor & Geo. R. Johnson. Opened with prayer

Lulie R. Spickard, Mellie B. Smith &amp; Mary d. Wade were received into the church on profession of their faith in christ after the usual examination.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Geo. R. Johnson clerk

February

Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 1886

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, & Elders W. C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.Fanny M<sup>c</sup>. Barnett was received into the church on profession of ~~her~~<sup>her</sup> faith in christ after the usual examination. adjourned. closed with prayer

February

Saturday, Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1886

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor. Opened with prayer.Virgie S. Caspari, Fannie B. Caspari, Mary L. Barbour & Marie L. Whiting were received into the church on profession of their faith in christ after the usual examination  
adjourned - closed with prayer.Dan<sup>l</sup>. Blain  
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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April

Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor, & Elders, W. C. Hagan & J. C. Taylor.

Opened with prayer.

John Hampton Hoge, Edward Barnette Wade and Susan Trigg Sorum, baptized members of the Church, were received into full communion on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Mr. Theodrick Pryor Campbell was received into the membership of this Church on certificate from the Wytheville Church and Mr. D. Lacy Hoge on certificate from the Blacksburg Church.

The Pastor was requested to prepare the Statistical and Sabbath School reports and Mr. W. C. Hagan the narrative on the State of religion.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dan<sup>l</sup> Blain  
Mod<sup>r</sup>

April

Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1886

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Dan<sup>l</sup> Blain, Pastor & Elders W. C. Hagan & J. J. Evans - Opened with prayer.

The Sessional narrative of the State of religion in the Church and the Sunday School reports, were read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

The following Statistical report of Session to Presbytery for the year ending 31 March 1886, was examined, approved & ordered to be

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Forwarded.	
Elders	5
Deacons.	6
Communicants added on examination	20
" " " Certificate	5
Total of Communicants	179
Adult Baptisms	10
Infant "	1
Baptized Non Communicants	--
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible classes	110
Teachers " " " " "	16

## Funds Collected.

Sustentation	77.00
Evangelistic	31.83
Invalid Fund	23.90
Foreign Missions	82.36
Education	20.10
Publication	21.35
Tusculum Institute (Colored)	9.67
Presbyterial	29.00
Pastors Salary actually paid	775.00
Congregational	330.64
Miscellaneous.	104.00
	<u>\$ 1504.85</u>

Elder N. J. Evans was appointed Delegate and W. C. Hagan, alternate, to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Salem beginning April 20, 1886.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer -  
Daul Blain  
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Approved as far as written with the following exceptions: 1st, No report from delegate of attendance upon Spring Meeting of 1885. 2nd, Two of Sessional Reports not recorded.

In Presbytery at Salem, Va., April 20, 1886.

F. H. Gaines,  
Mod.

July

Sunday Morning, July 11, 1886.

Session met in Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, & Elders W. C. Hagan, J. C. Taylor & J. R. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs. Margaret Augusta Linkens (wife of Col. Ben. A. Linkens) and Miss Lettie Hooper Johnson, baptized members of the Church were received into full communion on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Mrs. Anna S. Baird, Miss Celia E. Baird, Miss Anna M. Baird, Miss Mary E. Baird and Mr. Thompson M. Baird, were received on certificate of Rev. E. J. Baird, D.D., late pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Searcy, Arkansas, of which Church they were members.

A. J. J. Evans reported that his professional engagements prevented his attendance on the meeting of Presbytery at Salem and his excuse was sustained. Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Dan. Blain Mod.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Sept.

Sunday Afternoon, Sept. 12, 1886.

Session met in Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan &amp; J. C. Taylor.

Opened with prayer.

Elder J. C. Taylor was appointed delegate and W. C. Hagan alternate to represent this Church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Princeton, Sept. 15.

Miss. Marie Whiting, a member of this Church in good standing, was at her own request, dismissed and affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Farmville Va and when received by that Church her peculiar relation to this Church will cease.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Dau. Blain Mod.

Oct.

Sunday Morning, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Session met in Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan - J. C. Taylor &amp; J. N. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

Miss. Grace Alma Blanford was received into the communion of the Church on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination - Maj Taylor reported his inability to attend Presbytery on account of sickness and his excuse was sustained.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Dau. Blain Mod.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

October.

Sunday evening, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Session met on the call of the Moderator at the residence of W. C. Blanford - Christiansburg.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, + Elders W. C. Hagan - J. C. Taylor + J. N. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs. W. C. Blanford and his wife, Mrs. Eliza A. Blanford (an invalid) were received into the communion of the church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination, and were baptized by the pastor together with their infant children, Rolland E. Garmeth H. William E. Alexander + Jamie E. Blanford (a household baptism)

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Danl Blain Modr

November

Sunday Morning, Nov. 7, 1886.

Session met in Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain - Pastor + Elders W. C. Hagan - J. C. Taylor + J. N. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

Mr. J. I. Evans was appointed delegate of J. C. Taylor alternate to represent this church in the Synod of Va<sup>a</sup> which is to meet in Richmond Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>

Miss Maggie Simpson a member of this church, in good standing was at her own request dismissed + affectionately recommended to the fellowship of any church in the Sandwich Islands in which her lot may be cast in the Providence of God. Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Danl Blain Modr

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January

Sunday Morning - Jan'y 9 1887

Session met at Pastors Study.

Present Rev. S. Blair, Pastor & Elders W. V. Hagan  
& S. J. I. Evans -

Opened with prayer -

The following persons, baptized members of the Church, were received into full communion after the usual examination, viz. Miss Marie Arcein Glenn, Miss Mabel Mattie Scott, Miss Julia Henderson Baird & Miss Florence Campbell Baird.

Ella Trigg Phergar & David Shanks Phergar were received into the communion of the Church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Mrs. Eliza Hoge & Miss Jane Nellie Hoge, were received into the membership of this Church on Certificate from the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg, and Mrs. Charlotte S. Wilson, together with her baptized child Mary J. Wilson was received from the Presbyterian Church at Dublin Va.

Mrs. A. W. McClanahan, a member of this Church in good standing, was at her own request dismissed and affectionately recommended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke, and when received by that Church, her peculiar relation to this Church will cease -

S. J. I. Evans reported his inability to attend the meeting of Synod on account of professional engagements & was excused.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

Saml. Blair Modr

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March

Sunday Morning March 6 1887.

Session met in Pastors Study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders, W. C. Hagan &amp; J. N. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

Miss Lucretia S. Kirby, a member of this Church in good standing was dismissed & affectionately recommended to the Fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Waples Valley Va and Miss Leta B. Harris to the Presbyterian Church at Pulaski City and when received into those Churches, their peculiar relation to this Church will cease -

The Pastor was requested to prepare a memorial of the late Dr. Jos. S. Edie, to be presented to the Session at a meeting to be held on next Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup>

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Dau. Blain Mod<sup>r</sup>

March.

Thursday Evening Mar 10 1887.

Session met at Maj. J. C. Taylor's.

Present Rev. D. Blain, Pastor &amp; Elders W. C. Hagan, N. J. Evans &amp; J. C. Taylor.

Opened with prayer.

Henry Edward Lee & Henry Thomas Stone baptiz'd members of the Church, were received into the full communion of the Church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

The following Memorial of Dr. Jos. S. Edie was adopted and ordered to be spread on the



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minutes of Session.

Our beloved brother, St. Joseph S. Edie, fell asleep in Jesus on Sunday, February 27, 1887.

St. Edie was born in Brooke County, Va. (now West Virginia), November 27, 1798. He came of that sturdy Scotch-Irish stock which settled Western Penn.sylvania and the Valley of Virginia, and he was reared by pious parents after that strict religious fashion which has given to our country so many great and good men. His family belonged to the United Presbyterian Church, and is still distinguished for its piety. In 1822, St. Edie entered Hampden-Sidney College, and graduated in the class of 1825. For a time, while he was at College, he thought of entering the gospel ministry, but subsequently he felt that this was not his calling.

While at College, he engaged in teaching, and he continued to teach in Prince Edward County for some time after his graduation. Early in 1826, he removed to Christiansburg, to take charge of a school. Here a wide field of usefulness presented itself, and he was prompt to enter it. There was no church in Christiansburg, and the community was remarkably irreligious. There were a few pious women in the village and its vicinity, but there was no male professor of religion.

St. Edie at once procured a supply of religious tracts, and distributed them freely. He set his face against intemperance, then very common, and was one of the earliest workers in this region in the interest of temperance reform. He gathered the children of the community

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together and organized a Sunday School - the first in the County - and subsequently organized another, on the North Fork of the Roanoke. There were a few Presbyterians in the neighborhood of Christiansburg and on the Roanoke. On their behalf Dr. Edie wrote to Lexington Presbytery, in the fall of 1826 for a minister, and in response to this request the Rev. Wm. L. Campbell, then just licensed to preach, was sent here by the Presbytery. A year later, October 9, 1827, the Rev. John McElhenny came from Lewisburg to Mr. Campbell's assistance, and a Presbyterian Church was organized here. Dr. Edie's name stands among those of the little band thus organized into the first Presbyterian Church in this County, as it is now bounded. A short time after this, Dr. Edie removed to Lewisburg, Va. There and at Union, Monroe County, he taught school while pursuing the study of medicine. This medical course was completed at Cincinnati, and as soon as he graduated he returned here. This was early in the year 1832.

On the 18 of August, 1832, he was chosen by the Church as a ruling elder, but modestly declined to serve. Again on the 7 of August, 1834, he was elected to the eldership and on the same day was ordained. He continued in office to the day of his death, and during all this long period, of nearly fifty-three years, in the eldership, he adorned the doctrine of God, our Saviour, and discharged his duties with faithfulness. Despite his large practice, which kept him from home much of his time,

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March He was seldom absent from the meetings of the Session, and he always took a deep interest and active part in its proceedings. He had an intelligent acquaintance with the doctrines and order of the Church, and was a thorough Presbyterian. He faithfully endeavored to discharge all his duties. His pastors always had his hearty sympathy and active aid in their work. With his brethren in the Session he worked heartily and harmoniously. He loved the Church of God, and the services of the Sanctuary, and was always ready to promote the cause of Christ upon every opportunity. He ministered to the souls, as well as to the bodies of his patients and was prompt to inform his pastors of cases of interest, and often took them to the bedsides of the sick, who needed or desired spiritual help.

As a physician, he was eminently successful, eminently useful, and greatly beloved in all this region of country in which he practiced for nearly fifty years.

In the establishment ~~by~~ of Presbytery at this place (Christiansburg) of Montgomery Male <sup>and Montgomery Female College</sup> Academy, he took a most active part. It was through his energetic advocacy in the floor of Presbytery, backed by the large contribution, which he was enabled to offer by the excellent and large hearted men with whom he was associated in this Church, that Christiansburg was chosen as the seat of the Female College. As a valued trustee and friend of these institutions, he took the liveliest interest in them to the last.

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St. Edie was a man of unusually good mind. He was well furnished, and well balanced. His conclusions were carefully reached, and always ably supported. His views were well digested and conservative. His convictions were very clear and strong, and whenever principle was involved he was as firm as a rock. He was fond of society, a good talker, and an agreeable companion. Especially during his old age he manifested a great fondness for the young, and loved little children.

During his last years he suffered increasingly from the infirmities of age, and from periods of painful sickness, but his mind maintained its full vigor to the last. Through this trying ordeal he passed without a murmur. His cheerfulness never failed. His religious comfort and faith never seemed subject to fluctuation. His interest in the Church, and in the cause of Christ, was to the last strong and lively, and he was always endeavoring to do something to advance the cause of Christ. His room was the meeting place of the Ladies' Missionary Society, and he took delight in conducting their religious exercises, and in aiding them by his counsel. His end was in keeping with the long preparation of his life. He trusted humbly in Christ, and was sustained. His end was peace. There were no clouds.

And now, as a session, speaking for ourselves and for the Church which we represent, we mourn the loss of our venerable brother, while we rejoice in the grace of God which was so magnified in his life and his death. His memory will long be cherished among us, and we will faith-

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fully endeavor to profit by his example of faith and patience.

Resolved, that this memorial be spread upon our Sessional records, and a copy furnished to the family of our deceased brother, and that a copy be also furnished to the Central Presbyterian and Christian Observer for publication.

By order of the Session.

David Blain, Moderator.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

David Blain Mod?

April.

Sunday Morning April 10 1887.

Session met in Pastors study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor + Elders W. C. Hagan & J. J. Evans.

Opened with prayer.

Miss Mabel Steele, Miss Fannie McC. Miller, Anna Taylor Miller and John Hamilton Thompson, baptized members of the Church, were received into full communion on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

David Blain Mod?

April.

Tuesday April 12 1887.

Session met at the Manser.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor, Elders W. C. Hagan & J. J. Evans.

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Opened with prayer.

The Sabbath School Report for the year ending Mar. 31, 1887, was adopted, ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery and is as follows:

No on Rolls -	Teachers	19
	Scholars	115
Average Attendance -	Teachers	13 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>5</sub>
	Scholars	77 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>5</sub>

Scholars Admitted to the Communion 6

Contributions of the School -

For its own expenses	\$ 125.95
For other purposes.	70.60

1. Is school under control of Session? Yes.
2. Do pastor & elders attend? Pastor does & elders on teachers.
3. Does pastor preach regularly to children? Yes, every month.
4. Are Confes. of Faith and Catechism & Form of Devotion taught? The Catechism is.
5. Are children trained and encouraged to work? Yes.
6. Do young people memorize the scriptures? Yes.
7. What books of instruction used besides Bible & Standard of the Church? The S.S. Union only.
8. Has there been special religious interest in the school during the year? Yes, more or less during the year.
9. Are collections made in the school for the same objects ordered by the Assembly? No.
10. Do the scholars generally attend the public preaching of the word? Yes.
11. Have efforts been made to maintain a Sabbath school for colored people? No, they have their own schools.

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The following statistical report of session for the year ending March 31, 1887, was read, approved and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Elders	4
Deacons	6
Communicants added on examination	16
" " " Certificate	10
Total of communicants	197
Adult Baptisms	5
Infant "	15
Baptized - Non-communicants	
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible Classes	115
Teachers " " " " "	19

## Funds Collected.

Sustentation	124.00
Evangelistic	33.50
Invalid Fund	27.00
Foreign Missions	88.93
Education	24.00
Publication	28.29
Tascalosa Institute (Co of)	17.00
Presbyterial	37.50
Pastors Salary actually paid	800.00
Congregational	506.00
Miscellaneous	170.60
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The following Narrative of the State of religion was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery.

Narrative of the Session of the Christiansburg Church, for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1887.

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The Pastor has been faithful in discharging his duties, has preached usually twice each Sabbath, when not engaged in the performance of duties imposed by direction of Presbytery or prevented by unavoidable circumstances; has held prayer meetings usually on Wednesday evening, and has attended to such other ministerial duties as circumstances called for.

The attendance of the congregation upon the services of the Sanctuary has been good.

There has been no special out-pouring of the Holy Ghost, but there have been, as we think, frequent manifestations of His presence and power resulting in a number of additions to our Church.

The Christian department of Church members while in general good has not been marked by any special indications of growth in grace & spiritual activity.

Quite a number of our Church members including two elders and four deacons are faithful and efficient in Sabbath School & other Church work.

Catechetical and Bible instructions are regularly given in the Sabbath School and as we believe attended to in most families.

Family worship is regularly attended to in some families, occasionally in others and in some others, seldom if ever.

The observance of the Sabbath is good.

The fidelity of God's people in worshipping Him with their substance is marked and is as is believed in most cases, in accordance with



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their ability.

The prevalence of intemperance has not been so great or general as heretofore, as we think, but we fear that there has been little or no diminution in devotion to worldly amusements and other forms of sin on the part of those who are not Church members, and we regret that a few of our own young people engage in worldly amusements which we cannot approve.

No special efforts have been made by the members of our Church or congregation as to the religious instruction of the colored people. They however receive such instruction outside of our Church from persons of their own choice.

The opportunities of our Church for reaching the destitutions in our neighborhood are not as good as they have been in past years and therefore less has been done than formerly. The Pastors Salary has been paid.

Miss Nora Simpson was received into the membership of this Church on certificate from the Moore Memorial Church of Nashville, Tenn.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

David Blain Mod?

18 May

Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 1887.

Session met in Pastors study.

Present, Rev. D. Blain, Pastor + Elders W. C. Hagan + S. J. Evans.

Opened with prayer.

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Elder S. J. Evans was appointed Delegate  
and Capt. J. W. Johnson Alternate To represent  
this Church at the meeting of Presbytery To be  
held in Fincastru on Tuesday, May 3 1887.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Daniel Blain Mod.

Examined in Presbytery at Fincastru  
May 7 1887 and approved us for as  
written

J. R. Cross. Mod.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 1887

May

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan and  
J. R. Johnson Elders. opened with prayer

Allen Davidson Evans was received into the Church on a  
profession of his faith in Christ after the usual examinations.

Elder J. S. Evans reported that he was unable to attend the  
late meeting of presbytery on account of professional duties  
closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson Clerk

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 1887

July

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan and J. R.  
Johnson Elders.

Rev. J. V. Sullivan of Abingdon Presbytery being present was  
invited to sit as a corresponding member. session opened with prayer

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Mr<sup>s</sup> Addie Johnston (nee Simpson) was at her own request <sup>dismissed</sup> ~~was~~ and affectionately commended to the fellowship of the Presbyterian<sup>ian</sup> at Leetdale Pa, and when received by that church her (peculiar) relations to this will cease.

Miss Lake V. Sullivan and Kate Craig Taylor were received as members of the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1887

September

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, and Elders W<sup>m</sup> C. Hagan & J. R. Johnson. Opened with prayer

Miss Lizzie Kent Cowan, Mary C. Leowan, and Mary L. Barbour members of this church in good standing are at their own request dismissed and affectionately commended, the first two to Belle Spring Presbyterian Church in Pulaski Co, and the latter to the Presbyterian Church at Hopkinsville Ky, and when received by those churches, their (peculiar) relations to this will cease.

Elder W. C. Hagan was appointed principal & J. R. Johnson alternate to represent this church at the approaching meeting of presbytery at Clifton Forge

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> Octo. 1887

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor, and Elders Wm. C. Hagan and J. T. Evans. Opened with prayer.

Miss Mabel M. Scott a member of this church in good standing is at her own request dismissed and affectionately commended to the Christian fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Charlottesville Va, and when received by that church her peculiar relations to this will cease.

Elder W. C. Hagan reported that he was unable to attend the meeting of presbytery at Clifton Forge & the alternate was also prevented from attending.

Elder J. T. Evans was selected to represent this church at the meeting of Synod to be held in Norfolk on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November - adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 1887

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor, and Elders Wm. C. Hagan &amp; J. T. Evans. Opened with prayer.

The following memorial of Maj. J. C. Taylor was unanimously adopted: -

Our beloved brother in the Lord, Maj. James C. Taylor, passed, as we humbly believe, from earthly service, to the better service of God in heaven, on Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1887. He had been a member of this church for thirty-six years, and associated with us as a Ruling Elder for ten years. We, therefore, desire to place on record, our testimony to his character and worth as a Christian and an officer in God's house.

All his life among us was a busy and an eminently honorable

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me. He was always polite, kind, considerate of others, and generous. He was a good neighbor, a good citizen, and a faithful Christian. His place in God's house was never vacant unless providentially prevented from being present. As a member of the session he has left us a worthy example of promptitude and readiness to discharge every duty. As years increased he grew in the graces of the Holy Spirit, and we rejoice in the evidences he left behind of Christian faith and love. His sufferings were great during the last years of his life, but God fulfilled his promise of grace, and in this time of need our brother was fully sustained and submitted himself without a murmur to the orderings of God. Clearly foreseeing the end long before it came, he set his house in order, and was ready when God summoned him from time to eternity. His last days were full of pain, but perfectly peaceful and beautifully trustful in the Saviour, to whom he looked lovingly, often expressing his desire to depart and be with Him. His last hours were full of comfort and bright with confident hope, and we are thankful for the assurance that he sleeps in Jesus. While, therefore, we rejoice in the Christian life and Christian death of our brother, be it—

Resolved, That we sincerely mourn his departure, and while we will affectionately cherish his memory, we submit ourselves to God's will, confident in His wisdom and love in sending upon us this affliction.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved widow and to the fatherless children of our beloved brother, and pray for God's blessing on them.

Resolved, That this memorial be spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the family of our deceased brother, and that it be published in the Montgomery Messenger.

It was resolved that the Pastor shall see Mr. J. Hampton Hoge

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and request him to meet the session for conversation on his spiritual condition, at a meeting to be held on Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, or as soon after as a meeting of the session can be secured.

Elder J. T. Evans reported his inability to attend the meeting of synod at Norfolk.

Adjourned - closed with prayer.

Saml. Blain  
Mod.

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January

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January 1888

Session met at residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan and J. T. Evans - Opened with prayer.

Mrs Virginia D. Spindle having been a member, first of the Episcopal Church, and after her marriage of the church of the Disciples, presented a certificate of membership and good standing in the congregation of Disciples worshipping at Edgmont in this County, and being well known to us, was received thereon into the membership of this church.

The session having been providentially prevented from meeting according to adjournment, on November 26<sup>th</sup>, the pastor is requested to see M<sup>r</sup>. Hoge again, and if he deems it necessary, request his attendance at the next meeting of the session, giving him due notice.

Adjourned - closed with prayer.

Saml. Blain  
Mod.

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January 1888

January

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. Saml. Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan and J. T. Evans - Opened with prayer.

Harry Lewis Warwick and Samuel Stuart Blain were

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received into the church on their profession of faith in Christ after the usual examination.

adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Danl Blain  
Modr.

Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 1888

February

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. Danl. Blain, Pastor, and Elder W. C. Hagan.  
opened with prayer.  
Elder J. R. Johnson has been engaged in business for the last two years which requires his residence in Richmond most of the time, and he is now there. This leaves our Church but two Elders present for duty, and we have just learned to-day, when too late to defer this meeting, that Mr. Evans, who lives four miles from town, is not well enough to attend as he expected and as we expected. For these reasons the session has been constituted with one Elder under the rule of the Church which makes the Pastor and one Elder a quorum for the transaction of business, in cases where a church has but two Elders and circumstances deter one of them from attendance.

Charles M. Miller, Wm. F. Farley, Colin M. Baker, Benjamin M. Hagan, John C. Stephens, Mrs. Mary E. Hickok, Ella L. Bragg, Charles A. Caspari, Benjamin L. Spindle, James F. Kalloway Mrs. Harriett Woods and Andrew M. Harvey were received into the Church on their profession of faith in Christ after the usual examinations.

James W. Hickok was received as a member of this Church on certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church South, of this place, and John H. Caldwell, Mrs. Virginia C. Caldwell, Miss Mary H. G. Caldwell & Charles M. Caldwell were also received on certificates from the Presbyterian Church at Wytheville.

The Pastor reported that he had seen Mr. Hoge and had a conversation with him, and did not deem it necessary that

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that further action should be taken by the session at this time.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer.

David Blain  
Mod.

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 1888

February

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan

Present, Rev. David Blain, Pastor, and Elder W. C. Hagan

Opened with prayer.

Robert T. Montague, Mattie R. Montague, Emma Montague, Hattie M. Price and Kate J. Price were received into the church on a profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination, and Mrs. Laura H. Gardner on certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church South, of this place.

Charles F. Gardner, a suspended member of this church, appeared before the session, and having satisfied us as to his repentance, it was resolved that he be and is hereby restored to the sacraments of the church and that this restoration be publicly declared according to the Rules of Discipline, ch. XI. par. II, at our church this morning.

Adjourned - Closed with prayer

David Blain  
Mod.

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 1888

February

Session met at residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. David Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan and J. T. Evans - Opened with prayer.

Mary E. Galloway, Emma B. Miller, and Lizzie Galloway were received into the church upon a profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination

adjourned - Closed with prayer.



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Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 1888

March

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan  
+ J. R. Johnson - Opened with prayer.Joseph E. Shumaker and Laura Miles were received into  
the church upon a profession of their faith in Christ after  
the usual examination, and Mr. Ancil S. Witten and his  
wife Mr<sup>s</sup>. Bettie M. Witten (nee Stephens) on certificates from  
Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church.

adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> 1888

April

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan  
and J. R. Johnson - Opened with prayer.James T. Miller, Edward W. Simpson, Oscar W. Farley,  
and Hugh M. Blain were received into the church upon a  
profession of their faith in Christ after the usual exami-  
nation, and Mr<sup>s</sup>. Jane Shumaker on certificate from the  
Lutheran Evangelical Church at Salem Va.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Sam<sup>l</sup>. Blain, Pastor, and Elders J. S. Evans  
and J. R. Johnson - Opened with prayer.The minutes for the year were read and approved.  
The following reports were read, approved, and ordered to  
be forwarded to Presbytery: -

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Sabbath School Report for year ending April, 1<sup>st</sup>, 1888.

No. on Rolls.	Teachers	22.
	Scholars	135.
Average attendance.	Teachers	15.1.
	Scholars	82.4.
Contributions of School.	For its own expenses	\$139.58
	For other purposes	\$71.42
1	Is your school under the supervision and control of the session?	yes.
2	Do Pastor and Elders attend upon the services of School?	They do.
3	Does Pastor preach regularly to the children?	He does.
4	Are the Confession of Faith, Catechisms, and Form of Government taught in the school?	The Catechism is.
5	Are the Children's Friends and Earnest Worker taken in the school?	They are
6	Do young people memorize the Scriptures?	Yes.
7	What books of instruction used besides the Bible and the Standards of the Church?	None other
8	Has there been any special religious interest in the school during the year?	Very marked interest.
9	Are collections made in the school for the seven objects ordered by the Assembly?	No.
10	Do the Scholars generally attend the public preaching of the Word?	yes
11	Give any facts about the mode of conducting the school, deemed of interest to the cause?	None of special interest.
12	No efforts made to maintain a Sabbath School for the colored people.	

Statistical Report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1888.

Elders 3

Deacons 6

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Communicants added on examination	27
" " " " Certificate	9
Total of Communicants	218
Adult Baptisms	16
Infant Baptisms	9
Baptized Non-Communicants	---
Scholars in Sabbath Schools and Bible classes	135
Teachers " " " " " "	22
Funds Collected.	
Sustentation	\$ 80.96
Evangelistic	94.58
Invalid Fund	29.61
Foreign Missions	110.88
Education	14.51
Publication	31.31
Tuskaloosa Institute (Colored).	12.00
Presbyterial	45.00
Pastors' salary actually paid.	813.00
Congregational	494.58
Miscellaneous	71.42
Total	\$1797.85

Narrative of the Session for year ending April 1st 1888.

The officers of the church have striven to be faithful in the discharge of their duties, and if in anything they have failed, it has not been from want of conscientious endeavor.

The attendance for the year on the services of the Sanctuary has been generally good, and, for the most part, large.

The year has been marked, as we trust, by the special presence of God's Holy Spirit among us. Some of God's people have been quickened, and not a few of the impenitent awakened. We are thankful to believe that as a result of God's blessing upon our prayers and efforts, there is generally among our

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people an increased interest in spiritual things.

There is, we believe, a manifest improvement in our church. For several years the additions to its communion have been large, and for this year larger than for the past year. This improvement is specially marked among the young people of our congregation.

While there has been occasion to regret the conduct of some of our members, at times, the general deportment and growth in grace of our church members have been encouraging.

We have an active corps of workers among our members. The Sabbath School is well manned with excellent teachers, and there are many willing hands to do whatever work presents itself for the advancement of Christ's cause.

Catechetical and Bible instruction are well attended to in the Sabbath School, and in the families of our people.

The observance of the sabbath is good. We must qualify this statement, as we have done before, by calling attention to the fact that the very general patronage of the Sunday mails violates our christian obligations as they are clearly stated in God's word, and we lament that a large number of our people do not seem so to view the matter.

Our people are faithful and regular in worshipping the Lord with their substance.

Intemperance is less prevalent in our community than it has been in the past. In the church it has given us some trouble but not as much as in the past. Some of the young members of our church have shown a disposition to engage in worldly amusements of a character calculated to injure them spiritually, and we fear some have suffered in this respect. We are glad to say, however, that the mass of our people do not engage

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in questionable worldly amusements.

The negroes among us have their own churches and sabbath schools and there is no opening for work among them by our church.

There has not been much opening for special Christian work in our vicinity. Our church has always showed a commendable zeal for work of this character when opportunities presented themselves.

There are about 57 families in which one or both parents are members of the church.

There are about 12 families, as far as we can ascertain, that observe family worship with regularity, and there are a few others in which it is irregularly observed.

In families in which there are young children, we find, on investigation, that there is a most commendable faithfulness, especially on the part of the mothers, in giving religious instructions. We do not know a family in which this duty is neglected.

The Pastor is fully paid.

Under Rules of Discipline Ch. XV. par. II, the clerk of session is directed to transfer the membership of Miss Lucy S. Shields to the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke City; of Mr. John F. Wainwright, Mrs. Octavia Wainwright, and Miss Octavia Ann Wainwright to the Presbyterian Church at or near Pulaski City; of Mrs. Mary B. Wade to the Presbyterian Church at Rocky Mount; and of Miss Maxie Killen to a Presbyterian Church in the City of New Orleans.

The Session considering that additional Elders are needed in this Church, the Pastor is requested to give notice from the pulpit on to-morrow, that on Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1888, immediately after the morning service, a congregational meeting will be <sup>held</sup> called for the purpose of electing four Elders.

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Elder J. T. Evans is appointed delegate, and J. R. Johnson alternate, to represent this church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Roanoke City on Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup>.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Examined and approved as far as written, in Presbytery at Roanoke April 20<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Thos. J. Kitchin Mod

29<sup>th</sup> April

The Congregation, pursuant to notice, proceeded to the election of four additional Elders, and, John H. Caldwell, Thomas J. Hanson, Theodoric P. Campbell, and Charles J. Wade were declared duly chosen, the communing members of the church only voting.

May 6<sup>th</sup>Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. Saml. Blair, Pastor, and J. T. Evans and Jno. R. Johnson Elders. Session opened with prayer.

T. J. Hanson having appeared before the session and stated that the reason why he and his wife have not connected themselves with this church, within the bounds of which they have been living for more than twelve months, was that the "Anchor of Hope" church, from which they come, has neither Pastor nor session, and they have therefore been unable to obtain certificates of dismission. It was therefore resolved that under the authority of Rules of Discipline, Chapter XV, paragraph II,

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we hereby assume jurisdiction over them and receive them as members in good standing in this church, and the clerk of the session is directed to notify Abingdon Presbytery, through its stated clerk, of this action.

The session appoints Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> inst, as the day on which the newly elected Elders are to be ordained and installed.

Miss Mary M. McFadden a member of this church in good standing, <sup>at her own request</sup> is hereby dismissed and affectionately commended to the Christian fellowship of New Providence Presbyterian Church in Rockbridge County, and when received by that church her peculiar relations to this will cease.

Elder J. T. Evans who was appointed a delegate to represent this church at the meeting of Presbytery held in Roanoke City, reported that he had performed that duty.

The session adjourned to meet in the church on next Sunday morning - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> 1888

May 13<sup>th</sup>

Session met in the church.

Present Rev. Daniel Blair Pastor & J. T. Evans & J. R. Johnson Elders. Henry E. Blair Elder being present, was invited to sit with the Session and take part in the ordination and installation exercises appointed for this day.

After the sermon, and pursuant to the order of the session, T. P. Campbell and C. J. Wade were ordained, and they, with J. H. Caldwell & T. J. Hanson were duly installed as Ruling Elders. The session then adjourned & was closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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May 28<sup>th</sup>

Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met in the Pastor's Study.

Present Rev. Daniel Blain Pastor, & J. H. Caldwell, F. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. I. Wade, & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

A committee consisting of J. R. Johnson, C. I. Wade, & F. J. Hanson were appointed to report on the feasibility of districting the congregation.

J. R. Johnson was appointed to investigate the status of the title to Montgomery Male Academy.

adjourned. closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson clerk

June 24<sup>th</sup>

Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met in the church after morning services.

Present, Elders Wm. C. Hagan, J. H. Caldwell, F. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. I. Wade & J. R. Johnson.

There being no minister present Elder W. C. Hagan was selected to moderate the session which was opened with prayer.

Elder J. R. Johnson was appointed to represent this church at the called meeting of Presbytery to be held in Liberty on July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1888. adjourned - closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson clerk

Aug 5<sup>th</sup>

Sunday Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1888

The congregation, ten days previous notice having been given, met in the church and it being impracticable to procure a minister to moderate the meeting, it was called to order by Elder J. R. Johnson and opened with prayer.

A letter was then read from the Rev. Danl. Blain requesting the congregation to unite with him in seeking a dissolution



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of his pastoral relations with this church.

An motion it was resolved to unite with him in this request, and that this action be certified to the Presbytery. The meeting then adjourned, and was closed with prayer.

Friday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1888Aug 24<sup>th</sup>

Session met at the office of Phlegar & Johnson, which is in the bounds of the congregation.

Present, Elders W. C. Hagaw, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson. W. C. Hagaw was elected moderator. Opened with prayer.

A petition signed by a large number of the members of the church requesting them to take steps towards securing a pastor, was presented, whereupon it was resolved that notice be given on next Sunday that on Sunday, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 1888, a congregational meeting be called to consider the propriety of calling a pastor.

adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson cld

Thursday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 1888Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>

Session met at the office of Phlegar & Johnson.

Present, Elders W. C. Hagaw, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson. W. C. Hagaw called to moderate as it was impracticable to procure a minister.

Opened with prayer.

The following certificates of dismission were granted:—  
 Mrs. Petronella L. Johnson & Miss Edna Turpin to unite with the Presbyterian Church, <sup>Benham</sup> Boydton Va.; Lucy Virginia ~~McFarland~~ <sup>McFarland</sup> (nee McFarland) to unite with the Presbyterian Church Columbus, Ohio; Miss Ellen Sullivan & Lake Sullivan to unite with the Presbyterian Church Talladega, Ala.; Miss Mabel Steele to unite with the Presbyterian Church Washington, D.C.; J. Mercer Blain

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to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Lexington V<sup>o</sup>;  
and S. D. Lester to unite with the M. E. Church South at  
Christiansburg V<sup>o</sup>.

It was resolved that the Church be tendered to the  
congregation of the Methodist Church, who are now without  
a place of worship, on such terms as may be agreed upon  
by the Deacons. adjourned. closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

Sept 16<sup>th</sup>Sunday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> 1888

The congregational meeting which was called for the  
9<sup>th</sup>, and of which due notice had been given, was held.  
when, in view of the fact that the congregation was small  
by reason of the very inclement weather, the meeting  
adjourned to this day. Being unable to have a minister  
to moderate the meeting, it was called to order by Elder C. J.  
Wade, and opened with prayer. An election for Pastor was  
held which resulted in the choice of Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D.  
the communicating members alone voting. The Elders & Deacons  
were directed to make out a regular call, and Mr. W. C.  
Flagg & T. W. Spindle were appointed to prosecute the call  
before Presbytery. The meeting then adjourned & was closed  
with prayer

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Octo 1888Octo 7<sup>th</sup>

Session met in the church. Present, Elders W. C. Hagan,  
J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade & J. R.  
Johnson. Rev. T. W. Hooper, pastor elect, being present was  
requested to moderate. opened with prayer.

Certificates of dismission were granted to Mr. Mary L. Blain  
Sam. S. Blain, and Hugh M. Blain to unite with the Presby-  
terian Church at Williamsburg V<sup>o</sup>, and to Colin M. Baker

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to unite with the first Presbyterian Church New Orleans La,

J. H. Caldwell was elected delegate & J. R. Johnson alternate to represent this church at the meeting of Synod to be held at New Providence church.

The Deacons are ordered to review the subscription list to Pastor's salary & contingent expenses.

Rev. Dr. Hooper is hereby elected as stated supply from the 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1888. adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Novr 15<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday Novr. 15<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met in the church. Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper, Pastor, <sup>clerk</sup> & Elders W. C. Hagan, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell & C. J. Wade  
Opened with prayer.

Certificates of dismission were granted to Randolph H. Blain to unite with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church, Louisville Ky; Mrs Susan S. Phlegar (nee Hagan) to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Pulaski City Va; and Miss Octavia Fowler to unite with the Presbyterian Church, Colorado City, Texas.  
Adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Decr 8<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, Decr. 8<sup>th</sup> 1888

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper, Pastor, <sup>clerk</sup> and Elders W. C. Hagan, J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell & C. J. Wade. Opened with prayer.

Mrs Ella C. Miller was received into the church on her profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.  
adjourned. - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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Decr. 9<sup>th</sup>Sunday, Decr. 9<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Session met in Pastor's Study - Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, <sup>elect</sup>  
 & Elders W. C. Hagan, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell & C. J. Wade  
<sup>opened with prayer.</sup>  
 Mr. H. G. Hickok was received into the church on profession  
 of his faith in christ, after the usual examination.  
 adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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Jan'y 26<sup>th</sup>Saturday, Jan'y 26<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met at residence of J. R. Johnson - Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper Pastor, <sup>elect</sup>  
 and Elders T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell  
 & C. J. Wade. Opened with prayer.

Mrs. Anna M. Campbell was received into the church  
 on profession of her faith in christ, after the usual  
 examination, and Mr. Wm. A. Wilson & Mary d. Wilson his  
 wife on certificate from the Christian Church at Edge-  
 mont, Va. adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Feb'y 18<sup>th</sup>Monday Feb'y. 18<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, <sup>elect</sup>  
 and Elders T. J. Hanson,  
 T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade, & J. R. Johnson

Opened with prayer.

Mrs Mary C. Davidson, Miss Bessie F. Davidson & Mrs  
 Susie Miller (nee Davidson) were received into the church  
 on certificate from the Dublin Presbyterian Church.  
 adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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March 18<sup>th</sup>Monday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper Pastor, <sup>Elect,</sup> and Elders J. H. Caldwell, T. P. Campbell & C. J. Wade.

Opened with prayer.

Certificates of dismission were granted to Miss Jessie P. Simpson to unite with the Foreign Christian Church of Makawao, Hawaiian Island; and to Mrs Maggie Lee Henderson (nei Figgah) to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg Va.

Mrs. T. W. Hooper, Miss Kate C. Hooper, Joseph Hooper & W. S. Hooper were received into the church on certificates from the 1st Presbyterian Church at Selma Ala.

Rev T. W. Hooper & J. R. Johnson were appointed to prepare the Statistical report; T. P. Campbell the Sabbath School report; and C. J. Wade & T. J. Hanson the Narrative for the next meeting of Presbytery.

In reply to the question raised by the Presbytery at New Providence in regard to the call for the pastoral services of Rev. T. W. Hooper presented at that time; it is ordered that in addition to the salary of \$900. mentioned, the use of the manse, free of rent, be included in the call, and the delegate appointed to the next meeting of Presbytery shall inform the Presbytery of this action.

J. H. Caldwell reported his diligence in attendance upon the Synod at its meeting at New Providence

adjourned - closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson clerk

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March 30<sup>th</sup>Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in the church. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper and Elders T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell & J. R. Johnson opened with prayer.

Bessie W. Hooper was received into the church on profession of her faith in Christ after the usual examination adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

April 2<sup>nd</sup>Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1889

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and Elders T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, L. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson.

Opened with prayer.

T. J. Hanson was elected principal & J. R. Johnson alternate to represent this church at the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Liberty on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of this month. J. R. Johnson reported that he had attended the session of Presbytery held at Liberty on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1888, and at this place on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the same month, but that he was unable to attend the meeting at Bufordsville & his excuse was sustained.

The Pastor was requested to give notice from the pulpit on next Sunday that a congregational meeting is called to be held immediately after the morning service, on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1889, for the purpose of electing additional Deacons. adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

The Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. was, on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1889, installed as Pastor of this church.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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April 21<sup>st</sup>Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1889.

Session met in the church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. D. Pastor, and Elders W. C. Hagan, J. H. Baldwin, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson  
Opened with prayer.

The clerk of the session reported that at a congregational meeting held this day, pursuant to notice, the following persons were elected deacons, viz: William C. Filagg, Robert M. Gardner, and Aaron Graham, and the session appoints the first Sunday in May for their ordination & installation.

The minutes from May 6<sup>th</sup> 1888 to date were then read & approved. The following reports were read, approved, and ordered to be forwarded to presbytery:-

Statistical Report for year ending April 1 <sup>st</sup> 1889	
Elders	7.
Deacons	5.
Communicants added on Examination	8.
" " " Certificate	12.
Total Communicants	219.
Adult Baptisms	2.
Infant "	3.
Baptized non-communicants	—
Scholars in Sabbath School & Bible classes	110.
Teachers " " "	17.
Funds Collected.	
Sustentation	\$59.
Evangelistic	162.
Invalid Fund	18.
Foreign Missions	87.
Education	17.
Publication	28.
Tuckaloosa Institute (Colored)	—

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Presbyterial	\$ 22.
Pastor's Salary actually paid	880.
Congregational	200.
Miscellaneous	267.
Total	\$ 1740.

Sabbath School Report for year Ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1889.

N<sup>o</sup>. on Rolls Teachers 17  
Scholars 110

Average Attendance Teachers 13.4  
Scholars 84.6

Contributions of School. For its own expenses \$ 141.28  
For other purposes 126.00

- Is your school under the supervision and control of the session? Yes.
- Do Pastor and Elders attend upon the services of the school?  
The Pastor & four out of seven elders
- Does Pastor preach regularly to the children? He does.
- Are the Confessions of Faith, Catechisms, and Form of Government taught in the school? The Catechism is.
- Are the Children's Friend and Earnest Worker taken in the school? The Earnest Worker is.
- Do the young people memorize the scriptures? Yes.
- What books of instruction are used besides the Bible and the Standards of the Church? None others.
- Has there been any special religious interest in the school during the year? No marked interest.
- Are collections made in the school for the seven objects ordered by the Assembly? No.
- Do the scholars generally attend the public preaching of the word? Yes.
- There are no facts about the mode of conducting the school deemed of special interest to the cause.



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- 12 No efforts are made to maintain a sabbath school for the colored people.

Narrative of the Session for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1889.

The attendance upon the public services of the Sanctuary is very good, with increasing and very attentive congregations. Our regular weekly prayer-meetings are attended with great interest. The attendance almost equals that of our regular sabbath congregation. The song-service and lecture at our prayer-meetings have proved very attractive and instructive, and we are much encouraged to hope that our people are growing in grace, and in love for the master and his cause.

Though there has been no special outpouring of the Holy Spirit we have every reason to believe that He is working quietly among most of the members of our church. We trust there are some, who while they have not as yet publicly professed their faith in, and love for, the Savior, yet are much concerned upon the subject of their souls salvation, and our hope and prayer is that God will soon visit us with a special blessing and that many for whom we are praying will be gathered into the fold.

While we have good reasons to believe that the members of our church in the main are growing in godliness, we fear there are some who are not endeavoring to walk in that narrow path as they should.

Family worship is observed to some extent but not as universal as we would desire to see. We are glad to state that to some extent our people are growing in the spirit of prayer and are showing more willingness to take part in the public worship.

Our sabbath school is well attended, and we trust much good is being done by this arm of the church.

While there are some of our community, and we regret to

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say some of our own congregation, who fail to observe the Sabbath as a holy day of rest, there are but few who disregard it entirely. Upon the whole we may say it is fairly observed, but not as strictly as we would like to see.

The session then adjourned and was closed with prayer  
Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Approved as far as written

Liberty Va April 26, 1889,

Jas. M. Rawlings,  
Acting Moderator.

May 5<sup>th</sup>Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in the church after sermon.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D.D., Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan, J. H. Baldwin, T. J. Hanson, T. P. Campbell, C. J. Wade and J. R. Johnson Elders. opened with prayer.

Robert M. Gardner, William C. Flagg, and Aaron Graham, deacons elect were then regularly ordained and installed. adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk.

July 5<sup>th</sup>Friday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in the church after prayer-meeting.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D.D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson + J. R. Johnson Elders. opened with prayer.

Mary M. C. Jenkin, Mary E. Hanson + Kitty M. Hanson were received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination adjourned. Closed with prayer:

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

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July 7<sup>th</sup>Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper  
D. D. Pastor, and W<sup>m</sup> L. Hagan, J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson,  
& J. R. Johnson Elders. Opened with prayer.

Mattie J. Shelton, John R. Shelton, and Allie V. Spindle  
were received into the church on profession of their  
faith in Christ after the usual examination; John  
H. Hix and Lizzie J. Hix as on certificate from the  
Nelson Presbyterian Church; and Mrs Elvira A. Hay-  
maker, Rebecca C. Haymaker, and Mrs Lizzie Shelton  
as on <sup>certificate</sup> ~~profession~~ from the Christian Baptist Church.  
adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

August 19<sup>th</sup>Monday August 19<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met at Pastor's study - Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D.  
Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, L. J. Wade & J. R.  
Johnson, Elders. Opened with prayer.

T. J. Hanson was elected delegate, and J. H. Caldwell  
alternate to represent this church at the approaching  
meeting of Presbytery to be held at High Bridge Church  
adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>Sunday Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in the Church after services. Present, Rev.  
T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson,  
and L. J. Wade, Elders - Opened with prayer.

T. J. Hanson was elected delegate and J. H. Caldwell  
alternate to represent this church in the Synod to be  
held at Winchester -  
adjourned. closed with prayer Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

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Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>Sunday Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper  
D. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, L. J. Wade, & T. P. Campbell  
Elders. Opened with prayer.

Theo. P. Campbell and Anna M. Campbell mem-  
bers of this church in good and regular standing  
are hereby at their own request dismissed and affec-  
tionately commended to the Christian fellowship of  
the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg and when  
received by that church their relations to this will  
cease. Adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

November 17<sup>th</sup>Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> 1889

Session met in Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper  
D. D. Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, L. J. Wade,  
and J. R. Johnson Elders. Opened with prayer.

T. J. Hanson gave his excuses for non-attendance on the  
meeting of Presbytery at <sup>Hick Bridge</sup> ~~Liberty~~, and that of Synods  
at Winchester, which were sustained.

Miss Sallie Beyerle a member of this church in good  
standing is hereby at her own request dismissed and  
affectionately commended to the Christian fellowship  
of the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke City, and  
when received by that church her relation to this  
will cease.

adjourned. closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson

clerk

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Decr. 1<sup>st</sup>Sunday Decr. 1<sup>st</sup> 1889

Session met in the church after service. Present Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, Charles J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson Elders. Opened with prayer. Frank M. Junkin, Garnett B. Junkin, Friel M. Tate, Wm. W. Hanson, and Beverly Sydnor were received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk.

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Feby. 16Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met in Pastor's Study. Present Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson & C. J. Wade Elders. Opened with prayer.

Miss Lucy S. Shields a member of this church in good standing is hereby, at her own request dismissed and affectionately commended to the Christian fellowship of the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke City, and when received by that church her relations to this will cease. adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

March 9<sup>th</sup>Sunday, March, 9<sup>th</sup> 1890.

Session met at Sarmand's School House within the bounds of this church. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson & Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade Elders. Opened with prayer.

Archer E. Alley was received into the church on profession of his faith in Christ, after the usual examination; and Richard B. Alley on certificate

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from the Bethesda Presbyterian Church.  
adjourned - closed with prayer -

John R. Johnson clerk

April 7<sup>th</sup>Monday April 7<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, Chas. J. Wade & John R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer. The minutes of the session from May 5<sup>th</sup> 1889 to date were read & approved.

Mr. J. Kyle Robinson who was dismissed to unite with some church in West Va., but never having done so, is again received into the membership of this church, and Mrs. J. Kyle Robinson (nee Thomas) is received on certificate from the Presbyterian church at Blacksburg - adjourned - closed with prayer.

John R. Johnson clerk

April 12<sup>th</sup>Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met at Pastor's study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. S. Pastor, and J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, Chas. J. Wade & John R. Johnson Elders - Opened with prayer.

The following reports were read, approved, and ordered to be forwarded to Presbytery:-

Report of the Sabbath School for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1890.

No. on Rolls.	Teachers	17
	Scholars	95
Average attendance.	Teachers	12.4
	Scholars	67.7
Scholars admitted to the Communion		9
Contributions -	For its own expenses	\$126.16
	For other expenses	150.90

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- 1 School is under supervision and control of session.
- 2 Pastor and Elders attend upon the services of the school.
- 3 Pastor preaches regularly to the children of the Sabbath school.
- 4 Catechism is taught in the school.
- 5 Earnest worker is taken in the school.
- 6 Young people memorize the Scriptures to some extent.
- 7 Earnest Worker is used besides the Bible and the standards of the church.
- 8 There has been no special religious interest in the school during the year.
- 9 Collections are not made in the school for the seven objects ordered by the Assembly.
- 10 Scholars generally attend the public preaching of the Word.
- 11 No efforts have been made to maintain a Sabbath school for the Colored people.

Statistical Report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1890

Elders	6.
Deacons	8
Communicants added on Examination	12
" " " " Certificate	8
Total of Communicants	230
Adult Baptisms	3
Infant "	4
Baptized non-communicants	—
Scholars in Sabbath School + Bible Classes	95
Teachers " " " "	17
Funds Collected	
Sustentation,	\$54.29
Evangelistic,	151.67
Invalid Fund,	32.31
Foreign Missions,	77.65
Education,	186.56

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Publication,	32.75
Tuskaloosa Institute (colored)	19.70
Presbyterial	21.90
Pastors Salary actually paid	900.00
Congregational	537.12
Miscellaneous	
Total	<u>\$2013.95</u>

Narrative of Session for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1890

- 1 Official fidelity on the part of Minister, ruling elders, and deacons.  
Minister very good; Elders, moderate; Deacons, ~~very~~ good.
- 2 Attendance upon the service of the sanctuary.  
Very good.
- 3 Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.  
Have had some evidence of the Holy Spirit with us.
- 4 General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.  
Have had some additions - Twelve on examination and eight on certificate.
- 5 Christian deportment and growth in grace of the church members.  
Can notice no marked improvement.
- 6 Fidelity of church members in laboring in Sabbath-schools and other church work.  
Quite a number of our members are very faithful in these branches of our work.
- 7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath-schools and families.  
Are taught in our Sabbath-school, but not as much in the families as we would like to report.
- 8 Family Worship.  
Is observed in some families, but we fear is



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sadly neglected in others.

- 9 The observance of the Sabbath.

Moderate.

- 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.

Would be glad to see our people more willing and liberal in their offerings, but have no reason to complain.

- 11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sins.

Intemperance in drink prevails to some extent but confined mostly to those who are not members of our communion. Worldly amusements are participated in by some of our members & non-communicants more than we think good for the growth of our beloved church.

- 12 Religious instruction of colored people.

They have their own churches & instructors.

- 13 The diligence and success of the church in reaching the destitute in its vicinity.

The destitute of our church are generally cared for.

- 14 How much is due on the pastor's salary.

Paid in full.

The session then adjourned and was closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

April 13

Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met in Pastor's Study - Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor, and F. J. Hanson, C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders.  
opened with prayer.

Minnie W. Miller, Emma C. Haymaker, and Alzora Haymaker were received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

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Examined & approved in Presby at Lynch  
burg Apr 18. 1890 (as far as written) except

1. There is <sup>no</sup> minute stating that the Sessional reports were read to the Congregation
2. The Rules for Sessions have not been placed within the book as recommended by the Presbytery.

J. R. Bridges Mod.

June 8<sup>th</sup>Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1890.

Session met at Garmand's School House in the bounds of the Congregation.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor, and John H. Caldwell  
T. J. Hanson, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mr. & Mrs. Frank Lawrence were received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

July 9<sup>th</sup>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 1890

Session met in Church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, Charles  
J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Friend M. Tate, Mrs. Lizzie Miller, L. S. Lorenty, and Mrs.  
Emma Lorenty, <sup>Miss Eugie Lorenty</sup> members of this church in good and  
regular standing are hereby dismissed, the former to the

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Anchor of Hope Church, at Max Meadow, Va., and the four latter to the Central Church, Washington D.C., and when received by those churches their several relations to this will cease.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

July 13<sup>th</sup>

Sunday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, D.D. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade  
T. J. Hansen & Jno. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mr<sup>s</sup>. Jane M. Lewis was received into church on certificate from the Blacksburg Church.

adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1890

Session met in church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D.D. Pastor, John H. Caldwell, T. J. Hansen, & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

W. A. Kearney was received into the church on certificate from Walker's church.

adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1890  
Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>Sunday Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> 1890

Session met in church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor, W. C. Hagan, J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson &amp; C. J. Wade, Elders.

opened with prayer.

C. A. Caspari a member of this church in good and regular standing is hereby dismissed, at his own request to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Liberty Va, and when received by that church his relations to this will cease.

C. J. Wade is elected delegate & T. J. Hanson alternate to attend the approaching meetings of Presbytery & Synod.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Octo 12<sup>th</sup>Sunday Octo 12<sup>th</sup> 1890.

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, Charles J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

William ~~W.~~ C. Montague was received into the church on profession of his faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

adjourned - closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clk.

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>Sunday Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1890

Session met in church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor & J. H. Caldwell, T. J. Hanson, Chas. J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Ro. M. Gardner, and Mary C. Gardner, his wife, and Ida Crush Harris members of this church in good and regular standing are, at their own request hereby dismissed, the two former to unite with any Presbyterian church in West Va., in whose bounds their lot may be cast, and the latter to unite with the Presbyterian church at Falkland, N. C., and when received by those churches their relations to this will cease.

Elder Chas. J. Wade reported his inability to attend the meetings of Presbytery & Synod, and his excuse therefor is deemed satisfactory.

adjourned closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

1891  
Jan'y 11<sup>th</sup>Sunday January 11<sup>th</sup> 1891

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, Charles J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer.

S. Horace P. Lacy and Mrs. Elizabeth C. Lacy were received on certificate from the Village Church, Charlotte C. H.

adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1891  
March 22<sup>nd</sup>Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1891

Session met in Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper S. D., Pastor, John H. Caldwell  
Ch<sup>s</sup>. I. Wade, and J. R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Dr. W. A. Wilson and Mr<sup>s</sup> Mary Wilson, and Mr<sup>s</sup>  
 Celia Pollard (nee Baird) members of this church  
 in good and regular standing are, at their own  
 request, dismissed, the two former to the Presbyterian  
 Church at Radford, Va., and the latter to the Presbyterian  
 Church at Hot Springs, Ark.; and when received by  
 those churches, their relations to this will cease.

adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

April 12<sup>th</sup>Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1891

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper, S. D., Pastor, and T. J. Hanson,  
Charles I. Wade, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

opened with prayer.

The minutes of the session from June 8<sup>th</sup> 1890 to date  
were read and approved.The following reports were read, approved, and ordered  
to be forwarded to Presbytery:-Report on Sabbath School for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1891

Number on Rolls.

Teachers 14

Scholars 80

Average attendance

Teachers 12 <sup>10</sup>/<sub>13</sub>Scholars 66 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

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Scholars admitted to the communion - None  
 Contributions of School.

For its own expenses	115.91
For other purposes	202.50

- 1 School is under the supervision and control of the session.
- 2 Pastor and three of the Elders attend upon the services of the school.
- 3 Pastor preaches regularly to the children of the Sabbath School.
- 4 The Catechisms are taught in the school.
- 5 The Earnest Worker is taken in the school.
- 6 The young people memorise the scriptures to a limited extent.
- 7 No other books of instruction are used besides the Bible and the standards of the church.
- 8 There has been no special religious interest in the school during the year.
- 9 Collections are not made in the school for the eight objects ordered by the assembly, but collections are made at children's preaching.
- 10 The scholars generally attend the preaching of the Word.
- 11 No efforts have been made to maintain a sabbath school for the colored people. They have schools of their own.

Statistical Report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1891.

Elders,	6.
Deacons,	7.
Communicants added on Examination	3.
Communicants added on certificate	4.
Total of Communicants	771.
Adult Baptisms	3.
Infant Baptisms	4.
Baptised - non-communicants	—

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Scholars in Sabbath-school & Bible Classes,	80,
Teachers in Sabbath-school & Bible Classes,	14,
<u>Funds Collected</u>	
Sustentation, - L. M. S. 6.50 - Ch. 50.22	56.72
Evangelistic, " 6.00 - Syn. 126.95 - Asso. Com. 37.15	170.10
Invalid Fund, Busy Bees 5.00, Ch. 41.17	46.17
Foreign Missions, L. M. S. 108.11 - Ch. 54.69 - Children 22.00	184.80
Education, S. School 202.50, Ch. 41.66	244.16
Publication,	28.41
Colored Evangelistic Fund,	20.00
Church Erection,	—
Bible Society,	16.63
Presbyterial,	23.00
Pastors' Salary actually paid,	1020.00
Congregational, Busy Bees 195.05, Ch. <del>165.00</del> <sup>225.00</sup> , S. School 115.91	<u>575.96</u>
Total	<u>\$2295.95</u>

Narrative of Session for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1891.

1. Official fidelity on the part of minister, ruling elders, and deacons.

Three of the elders have been kept away a good deal by sickness. The rest have done their duty as well as they could.

2. Attendance upon the services of the sanctuary.

Very good during last summer and fall. During the winter, smaller on account of bad weather and bad roads.

3. Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.

None.

4. General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.

Only a few additions to the church - 3 on examination, and 4 on certificate - Dismissals 12. Deaths 4.



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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

- reducing the membership from 230 to 221.
- 5 Christian department and growth in grace of the church members.  
Commendable, as far as we know.
- 6 Fidelity of Church members in laboring in Sabbath schools and other church work.  
Very good.
- 7 Catechetical and Bible Instruction in Sabbath school and families.  
Very good.
- 8 Family worship among members of the church.  
Pretty generally observed.
- 9 The observance of the Sabbath among church members.  
Very good.
- 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.  
Remarkably good.
- 11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements, and other forms of sin.  
A few cases among members of the church. Not very prevalent in the community.
- 12 Religious instruction of colored people.  
None. They have their own churches.
- 13 The diligence ~~destitutions~~ and success of the church in reaching the spiritually destitute in its vicinity.  
No special destitution in our bounds. There are a good many churches in the country.
- 14 How much is due on the pastor's salary.  
Nothing.

The foregoing reports were directed to be read by the pastor to the congregation.

Elder John R. Johnson was appointed delegate &

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Charles J. Wade, alternate, to attend the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Salem on Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> inst.  
The session then adjourned & closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

<sup>approved</sup>  
Examined and <sup>in</sup> Presbytery at Salem

Except 1. The representative to Spring meeting of Presbytery was not required to report his attendance.

C. D. Waller  
Modr.

July 12<sup>th</sup>

Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> 1891

Session met at Pastor's study

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and J. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Virgie Barnett was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Mrs Kate Taylor Hoge (nee Taylor) a member of this church in good and regular standing is hereby at her own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Radford, Va, and when received by that church her relations to this will cease

John R. Johnson and Charles J. Wade delegates & alternate to the Presbytery at Salem, reported that they were unable on account of pressing business engagements to attend & their excuse was received.  
adjourned, closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson  
clt

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Sunday Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> 1891

August 12<sup>th</sup> Session met at Pastor's study  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor & Charles J. Wade  
 and J. R. Johnson Elders.  
 Session opened with prayer.  
 Charles S. Charleston was received as a member of  
 this church on profession of his faith in Christ  
 after the usual examination.  
 adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
 clk.

Sunday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1891

August 23<sup>rd</sup> Session met at Pastor's study.  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. S. Pastor & J. H. Caldwell,  
 Chas. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders.  
 Session opened with prayer.  
 J. H. Caldwell was elected delegate & C. J. Wade alter-  
 nate to represent this church at the approaching  
 meeting of Presbytery & Charles J. Wade delegate & J. H. Caldwell  
 alternate to Synod.  
 adjourned. closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
 clk.

Sunday December 6<sup>th</sup> 1891

December 6<sup>th</sup> Session met at Pastor's study.  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. S. Pastor, & J. H. Caldwell,  
 Chas. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders.  
 Session opened with prayer.  
 Mary V. Lavender, Mrs. A. S. Baird, Miss Mamie Baird &  
 Miss Florence Baird members of this church in good and  
 regular standing are at their own request hereby dis-  
 missed the former to unite with the Presbyterian church.

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at Pulaski City, and the three latter with the Presbyterian Church at Salem, Va., and when received by those churches their relations to <sup>the</sup> this will cease.

The delegate & alternate to Presbytery<sup>synod</sup> reported their inability to attend & were excused. adjourned - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clk

1892  
April 10<sup>th</sup>

Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, D. D. Pastor & Charles J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Mr. E. T. Taliaferro, Mr. Mary S. Taliaferro were received as members of this church on certificate from the College Church, Va. and Mr. R. M. Gardner, and Mrs. Mary C. Gardner from Centerville Church, W. Va. adjourned, closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clk

May 7<sup>th</sup>

Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present Rev. T. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor & Charles J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer

The minutes of the session from July 12<sup>th</sup> 1891 to April 10<sup>th</sup> 1892, were read and approved.

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G. Holman Gardner & Mr<sup>s</sup>. Laura M<sup>d</sup>. Bowman members of this church in good standing are at their request dismissed, the former to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Rogersville, Tenn., and the latter to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Radford, Va. and when received by those churches their relations to this will cease.

The following reports were read, approved and ordered to be read to the congregation & forwarded to Presbytery:-

Report on Sabbath School for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1892.  
Number on Rolls

Teachers	16
Scholars	87
Average Attendance	
Teachers	12 <sup>23</sup> / <sub>26</sub>
Scholars	59 <sup>10</sup> / <sub>26</sub>
Scholars admitted to the Communion	None
Contributions	
For its own expenses	\$89.13
For other purposes	205.10

- 1 School is under supervision & control of the Session.
- 2 Pastor and two of the Elders attend upon the services of the school.
- 3 Pastor preaches regularly to the children of the school.
- 4 Catechisms are taught in the school.
- 5 Earnest worker is taken in the school.
- 6 The young people memorize the scriptures.
- 7 The Earnest Worker is used besides the Bible and the standards of the church.
- 8 There has been no special religious interest in the school during the year.
- 9 Collections are not made for the eight objects ordered by the Assembly.

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- 10 The scholars generally attend the public preaching of the word.

Statistical report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1892.

Elders	5
Deacons	7
Communicants added on Examination	1
" " " Certificate	5
Total of Communicants	213
Adult baptisms	none
Infant "	2
Officers & teachers in sabbath school & bible classes	16
Scholars " "	87
Funds Collected.	
Sustentation	\$ 45.00
Evangelistic	75.00
Invalids Fund	32.00
Foreign Missions	112.00
Education	320.00
Publication	27.00
Colored Evangelistic Fund	14.00
Church Erection	55.00
Bible Society	15.00
Presbyterial	22.00
Pastors Salary actually paid & rental value of manse	1180.00
Congregational	340.00
Total	<u>\$ 2237.00</u>

Narrative of the Session for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1892

- 1 Official fidelity on the part of Ministers, ruling elders and deacons.

One elder has died & one is disabled. One has been absent all the year & another has recently removed.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

- 2 Attendance upon the services of the sanctuary.  
Very good on Sabbath & also on prayer meeting. Ladies largely females.
- 3 Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.  
None
- 4 General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.  
Not many additions. Many removals by deaths and dismissals reducing our membership from 221 to 213.
- 5 Christian deportment and growth in grace of church members.  
Commendable for next part, but too much worldliness.
- 6 Fidelity of church members in laboring in Sabbath-school and other church work.  
Sunday school well attended and conducted, but not as many scholars as there ought to be.  
Ladies societies & busy bees flourishing.
- 7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath-school, & families.  
Well conducted in Sabbath school.
- 8 Family worship among members of the church.  
Not as universal as it ought to be.
- 9 The observance of the Sabbath among church members.  
Generally good.
- 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.  
Very good indeed.
- 11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sin.  
Not common among church members, but a good deal in the community.
- 12 Religious instruction of colored people -

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

We have none, though a few attend our regular services. They have their own churches & sabbath schools.

- 13 How much is due on the pastor's salary -  
Nothing.

Charles J. Wade was elected delegate & John R. Johnson alternate to the approaching meeting of Presbytery to be held at Craig City.

The minutes of this meeting were then read and approved & the session adjourned - closed with prayer.  
John R. Johnson  
clerk

Approved by Presbytery in Session at  
New Castle, Va, May 13<sup>th</sup> 1892.

Moderator

May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1892

Session met in Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. S. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and John R. Johnson, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

J. Kyle Robinson and wife, members of this church in good standing, are, at their own request, hereby dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian church at Home City, Ohio, and when received by that church their relations to this will cease.

John S. Lovershaw and Mary E. Lovershaw his wife are received into the church on a profession of their faith in Christ, after the usual



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examination.

Charles J. Wade who was elected delegate to attend Presbytery at Craig City gave a satisfactory reason for his non-attendance, which was accepted.

Session then adjourned and was closed with prayer  
Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> 1892

June 12<sup>th</sup> Session met in church after morning service

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. D., Charles J. Wade and John R. Johnson - opened with prayer.

E. W. Simpson a member of this church in good standing, is, at his request, dismissed to unite in the organization of a Presbyterian Church at Norton, Wise County, Va.

On account of the missionary meeting to be held on the second Sunday in July, it is resolved that the communion services which would otherwise take place at that time, be held on the first Sunday in July.

Session adjourned & was closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1892

July 10<sup>th</sup> Session met in church after morning service.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. D. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and John R. Johnson Elders - opened with prayer  
Mrs. Alice H. Baumgardner was received into the church on certificate from the Presbyterian Church at Wytheville. Session closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

1892  
Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>Friday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met at the residence of W. C. Hagan's, in the bounds of the congregation.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. D. Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan Charles J. Wade, and John R. Johnson, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Miss Sallie Guernant, after the usual examination was received into the church on a profession of her faith in Christ. Closed with prayer.

John R. Johnson clerk

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>Sunday Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met at Pastor's study - Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. D. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and John R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer.

John L. Guernant was received into the church on certificate from Rogersville Presbyterian church; and, after the usual examination, Lavallette P. Jones (nee Pierce) was received on her profession of faith in Christ.

Charles J. Wade was elected delegate & John R. Johnson alternate to Presbytery to be held at Clifton Forge; and J. R. Johnson was elected delegate & C. J. Wade alternate to Synod to be held at Petersburg.

Session closed with prayer.

John R. Johnson clerk

Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met at Pastor's study - Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. D. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade & John R. Johnson Elders  
opened with prayer.

Hugh C. Guernant was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Presbyterian

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church at Blacksburg.

Elder Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade reported his inability to attend Presbytery and his excuses were accepted as satisfactory. Session closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> 1892

Session met in the church after morning services

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, S. D. Pastor, and T. J. Hanson, Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade and Jno. R. Johnson Elders.

Session opened with prayer and Lovalette P. Jones a member of this church in good standing, is, at her own request, dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian church at Hickory, N. C.; and Miss Minnie Pepper also a member of this church in good standing, is, at her own request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian church at Radford, Va, and when received by those respective churches their relations to this will cease.

John R. Johnson who was elected delegate to Synod reported that he was unable to attend & his excuses were deemed satisfactory.

Session closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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Jan'y 8<sup>th</sup>Sunday Jan'y 8<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met in Pastor's study. Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper S. D., Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and Jno. R. Johnson, Elders.

Session opened with prayer.

Miss Maggie Simpson was received as a member of this church on certificate from the Foreign Protestant church, Sandwich Island.

closed with prayer -  
Jno. R. Johnson clerk

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

January 29<sup>th</sup>Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met at Pastor's Study, Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper  
D. D. Pastor, and chrs. J. Wade & Jno. R. Johnson, Elders.

opened with prayer.

John H. Caldwell, Mrs. V. C. Caldwell, Charles M. Caldwell  
and Mamie Caldwell members of this church in  
good standing are, at their request, dismissed to  
unite with the Presbyterian Church at Radford Va  
and when received by that church their relations  
to this will cease.

Oscar T. Hines, after the usual examination  
is received as a member of this church on his  
profession of faith in Christ.

closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>Sunday Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met in church after morning service.

Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper D. D. Pastor, and Charles J. Wade  
and John R. Johnson Elders. Opened with prayer.

Oscar T. Hines and Mrs. Lucretia G. Stevens (nee Kirby)  
members of this church in good standing, are, at  
their request dismissed, the former to unite with the  
Park Avenue Church, Norfolk, Va., and the latter,  
with the Presbyterian Church at Pulaski City, Va  
and when received by those churches, their relations  
to this will cease.

closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1893

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Session met at Montgomery Female College within the bounds of the congregation. Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper S. S., Pastor, and Charles J. Wade and John R. Johnson Elders. Session opened with prayer, and Terry Marr Taliaferro after the usual examination was received into the church on a profession of her faith in Christ.

A. S. Witten, and Bettie S. his wife members of this church in good standing are at their request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Martinsville Va, and Wm. A. Bragg and Ella L. his wife members in good standing are at their request also dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Radford, Va, and when received by those churches respectively, their relations to this will cease. closed with prayer.

John R. Johnson  
clerk

Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1893

April 16<sup>th</sup> Session met at Pastor's Study. Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper S. S., Pastor, and Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade & John R. Johnson, Elders. Opened with prayer. John Kirkpatrick is received as a member of this church on certificate from the Presbyterian Church at Broughshane, Ireland. Elder Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade was appointed delegate to Presbytery at Fincastle. The minutes of session from May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1892 to April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1893, inclusive, were read and approved. The following reports were read, approved and ordered to be read to the congregation and then forwarded to Presbytery:-

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

Report on Sabbath School for year ending April  
1<sup>st</sup> 1893.

Number on Rolls

Teachers . . . . . 16

Scholars . . . . . 80

Average attendance

Teachers . . . . .  $13 \frac{12}{13}$

Scholars . . . . .  $61 \frac{17}{26}$

Contributions of Schools

For its own expenses . . . . . \$ 77.46

For other purposes . . . . . 249.10

- 1 The school is under the supervision of the session.
- 2 Pastor and Elders attend upon the services of the school.
- 3 Pastor preaches regularly to the children of the Sabbath school.
- 4 Catechisms are taught in the school.
- 5 The Earnest Worker is taken in the school.
- 6 The young people memorize the scriptures to a limited extent.
- 7 No books of instruction except Earnest Worker is used.
- 8 No special religious interest in the school during the year.
- 10 The scholars attend the preaching of the Word tolerably well.
- 11 No efforts have been made to maintain a Sabbath school for the colored people.

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- 1 Official fidelity on the part of ministers, ruling elders, and deacons.

Minister is faithful. We have but two active

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

- elders now & their professional duties are such as to prevent attendance upon meetings of Presbytery & Synod. Seems good.
- 2 Attendance upon the services of the sanctuary.  
Very good.
  - 3 Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.  
None.
  - 4 General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.  
Good. Eleven additions. we have lost 21 members by death and removals making a net loss of 10 -
  - 5 Christian department and growth in grace of church members  
Marked improvement by some,
  - 6 Fidelity of church members in laboring in Sabbath School and other church work.  
Very good.
  - 7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath-school and families.  
Good in sabbath school and in some families.
  - 8 Family worship among members of the church.  
we fear not generally observed.
  - 9 The observance of the sabbath among church members.  
Very good.
  - 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.  
Excellent.
  - 11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements, and other forms of sin.  
less intemperance certainly and we think it is true also as to the other branches of the question.
  - 12 Religious instruction of colored people.  
None

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

- 13 The diligence and success of the church in reaching the spiritually destitute in its vicinity.  
We have no special field.
- 14 How much is due on the pastor's salary

Statistical report for year ending 1<sup>st</sup> April 1893.

Elders,	4
Deacons,	7
Communicants <sup>added</sup> on Examination	6
Communicants added on Certificate	5
Total of Communicants	203
Adult baptisms	—
Infant "	2
Officers & teachers in S.S. & Bible classes	16
Scholars " " "	80

## Funds Collected

Sustentation,	\$ 52.33
Evangelistic,	125.39
Invalid Fund,	44.32
Foreign Missions,	171.51
Education,	289.87
Publication,	71.65
Colored Evangelistic Fund,	29.00
Church Erection,	150.00
Bible Society	—
Presbyterial	21.30
Pastor's salary actually paid and rental value of Manse,	
Congregational,	
Miscellaneous,	27.46
Total	\$



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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

The minutes of this meeting were read & approved and the session closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk.

Examined by Presbytery at Fincastle Ap 20<sup>th</sup> 1893  
and approved as far as written.

J. Mc. Duckwall, Moderator.

July

Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor and Charles J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Elder Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade gave excuse for his non-attendance on the meeting of Presbytery at Fincastle which was deemed satisfactory and accepted by the Session.

Wm. Mc. Montague, Bettie Montague & Lucy Montague were received as members of this church on certificate from the Warrenton Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. Susan H. Phlegan on certificate from the Presbyterian Church at Pulaski City.

Session closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk.

Monday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met at Pastor's Study

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and Charles J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders. Session opened with prayer.

Charles J. Wade was elected delegate to Presbytery to be held at Floyd Coash House & John R. Johnson

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Sept.

delegate to Synod to be held at Lexington.

It was resolved that the pastor extend an invitation to Presbytery to hold its spring meeting in this church. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

October

Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met at the residence of Wm. C. Hagan.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and Wm. C. Hagan and Chas. J. Wade, Elders. Opened with prayer.

T. W. Hooper Jr. was received as a member of this church on his profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

The following persons, members of this church in good standing, and at their own request were dismissed:- Mrs. Selia R. Sewell (nee Hunley) to Radford Presbyterian Church, and Wm. D. Hooper to the Presbyterian Church at Athens, Ga.

Session closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson Clerk

November

Sunday November 26<sup>th</sup> 1893

Session met at the residence of Mr. Wm. C. Hagan.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, Wm. C. Hagan and Chas. J. Wade Elders. Opened with prayer.

Lula M. D. Hickok, Mary R. Charlton, Evaline V. Charlton and John H. Charlton were received as members of this church on their professions of faith in Christ after the usual examinations.

At their request, the following members of this church are dismissed:- Miss Robbie M. Newell

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to the Presbyterian Church at Pulaski City; and John C. Stephens & Mr. James Stephens to the Presbyterian Church at Radford. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 1894

Jan'y.

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and Chas. J. Wade and J. R. Johnson, Elders. Opened with prayer.

Ro. C. Taylor was received as a member of this church on profession of his faith in Christ, after the usual examination - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

Sunday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1894.

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, Chas. J. Wade and J. R. Johnson, Elders. Opened with prayer.

Mr. & Mrs. Irma C. Zirkle (nee Miller), Miss Cora Lee Hendry & Miss Mamie J. Hendry were received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination, and Marion W. Zirkle was received as on certificate from the Main Street Baptist Church, Luray, Va.

At their request, both being members in good standing in this church, Charles J. Craig is dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Stanford, Ky., and Garrett B. Jenkins to Westminster Church, Baltimore.

Both delegates to Presbytery & Synod reported their inability to attend the sessions of those bodies, and were excused - closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

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AprilTuesday April 17<sup>th</sup> 1894

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, Charles J. Wade and J. R. Johnson Elders - opened with prayer.

The minutes of the meetings of session from July 1893 to date were read &amp; approved.

The following reports were read, approved, ordered to be read to the congregation and forwarded to Presbytery:-

Report on Sabbath-School year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1894.

No. on Rolls.

Teachers, 16

Scholars, 78

Average attendance.

Teachers, 13 <sup>7</sup>/<sub>10</sub>Scholars, 55 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>10</sub>

Contribution of School.

For its own expenses, \$59.42

For other purposes, \$316.10

School is under supervision &amp; control of Session.

Pastor &amp; Elders attend upon services of the School.

Pastor preaches regularly to the children of the School.

Shorter &amp; Introductory Catechisms are taught.

Earnest Worker is taken.

Young people memorize the Scriptures to some extent.

Committee's lesson papers are used besides the Bible &amp; standards of the Church.

No special <sup>religious</sup> interest in the school during the year.

Collections are not made in the school for all the objects ordered by the assembly - a collection is made at the children's monthly service for missions which is not included in this report.

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No efforts have been made to maintain a Sabbath School for the colored people.

Narrative of the Session for the year ending April 1st 1894.

- 1 Official fidelity on the part of ministers, ruling elders and deacons.

Minister is faithful. Still only two active elders who try to do their duty - Deacons good

- 2 Attendance upon service of sanctuary.

Very good.

- 3 Special outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

None.

- 4 General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.

No material change. Nine additions on examination and six by certificate.

- 5 Christian deportment and growth in grace by church members.

Generally good.

- 6 Fidelity of church members in laboring in Sabbath School and other church work.

on part of some, very good.

- 7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath School and families.

Good in Sabbath School.

- 8 Family worship among members of the church

Neglected in many.

- 9 The observance of the Sabbath among church members.

Very good

- 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance

Very good.

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- 11 Prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sin.  
Not much among our members.
- 12 Religious instruction among colored people.  
None. They have their own.

Statistical report for year ending 1<sup>st</sup> April 1894.

Elders,	4
Deacons,	6
Communicants added on examination,	9
" " certificate	6
Total of Communicants	210.
Adult baptisms	3.
Infant "	9
Officers & teachers in S.S. & Bible classes	16.
Scholars " "	78.

## Funds Collected

Presbyterial Home Missions,	\$72.00
Evangelistic,	32.05
Invalid,	32.40
Foreign Missions	125.96
Education	344.80
Publication	17.25
Colored Evangelistic	12.60
Presbyterial	20.30
Pastor's Salary actually paid + rental (\$180.-)	1076.50
Congregational	354.52
Total	\$2088.38

The minutes of this meeting were read & approved and the session adjourned with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
Clerk,

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

May

At a meeting of the Session held in the Pastor's Study,  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. I. Wader & J. R. Johnson Elders.  
 May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1894-  
 Session opened with prayer

Mrs. Bessie Jackson Walters was received as a member  
 of this church on certificate from the First Presbyterian  
 Church of Bowling Green Kentucky -  
 closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk

July

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. I. Wader & J. R. Johnson  
 Elders. Opened with prayer.

Dr. W. A. Kearney a member of this church in good  
 standing, is, at his own request, dismissed and affectionately  
 commended to the Walker's Church in West Hanover  
 Presbytery.

closed with prayer-

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerkJuly 7<sup>th</sup> 1894.

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

September

September 16<sup>th</sup> 1894

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson  
Elders. Opened with prayer.

Mr. E. T. Taliaferro, Mrs. E. T. Taliaferro, and Fenny Taliaferro  
members of this church in good standing are, at their  
own request, dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian  
Church at Holly Springs, Mississippi.

J. R. Johnson was appointed delegate to Presbytery  
which is to meet at Rocky Mount on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst, with  
C. J. Wade as alternate, and C. J. Wade is appointed  
delegate to Synod which is to meet at Danville, October  
23<sup>rd</sup>, with J. R. Johnson as alternate.

The delegates to the last meeting of Presbytery made  
his excuse for non-attendance which was accepted as  
satisfactory.

Closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson  
Clerk

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January

January 20<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met in Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor & C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson Elders  
Opened with prayer.

Mr. M. W. Zinkle & Mrs. Irma M. Zinkle members of this  
church in good standing are, at their own request, dis-  
missed to unite with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church, Roanoke.

Mrs. W. F. Flanagan (nee wall) is received as a  
member of this church on certificate from the  
Blacksburg Church.

The delegates to Presbytery<sup>& synod</sup> stated their reasons for not atten-  
ding the sessions of those bodies, which are deemed satisfactory.  
Closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson Clerk



## MINUTES OF SESSION.

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March

March 10<sup>th</sup> 1895.

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and C. I. Wade & J. R. Johnson,  
Elders - Opened with prayer -

John C. Stephens, and Mrs. Janet Stephens are received as members of this church on certificate from the Radford Presbyterian Church; Miss Minnie Pepper from the Radford Presbyterian Church; R. B. Richardson from the White House Presbyterian Church; and Miss Sairy Sheltman from the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church of Asheville, N. C.

Mary M. Phlegar, Helen Junkin and George Junkin are received as members of this church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

B. M. Hagan, John H. Thompson, and D. S. Phlegar are appointed a committee to arrange for the entertainment of the members of Presbytery which meets in this church on the 9<sup>th</sup> prox.

The pastor is requested to give notice, as required, that a congregational meeting will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> inst, for the purpose of electing additional elders and deacons -

Closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson  
Clerk

March 24<sup>th</sup> 1895

March

Session met at Pastor's Study -

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. I. Wade & J. R. Johnson  
Elders - Opened with prayer -

Lelia Montague is received into this church as a member on profession of her faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

Mrs. Alice H. Baumgardner a member of this church in good standing is, at her own request, dismissed to

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unite with the Presbyterian Church at Rural Retreat.

The clerk of the session reported that at a Congregational meeting held this day, pursuant to notice, the following persons were elected Elders, viz., John Gardner, R. B. Richardson, and John H. Thompson, and the following deacons, viz., E. S. Hagan & J. S. Crenshaw, and the session appoints next Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> inst. for their ordination and installation.

Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
Clerk

March

Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup> 1895

Session met in the church after the sermon -

Present, Rev. F. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. J. Wade & J. R. Johnson  
Elders - opened with prayer -

John Gardner and J. H. Thompson, Elders elect were then ordained and with R. B. Richardson (also elder elect but who had heretofore been ordained) were regularly installed as such; and E. S. Hagan & J. S. Crenshaw deacons elect were regularly ordained and installed.

The congregation having been dismissed, Margaret S. Rhea and Sadie Brown Earhart were received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examinations -

R. B. Richardson is elected as delegate & J. H. Thompson as alternate to attend the meeting of Presbytery to be held in this church on the 9<sup>th</sup> prox.

Closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson  
Clerk

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April

April 7<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met in the church after morning services.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, C. I. Wade, John Gardner, R. B. Richardson, J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Nora d. Hickok, Richard R. Hickok & Kate W. Hickok are received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ after the usual examination.

At the request of the Pastor of the Methodist Church, who represents to the session that owing to some necessary changes in his appointments, the times at which we hold our quarterly communion, will require that his church be closed on two consecutive Sundays, if the time honored custom of the two congregations giving away & not holding services, <sup>by the one</sup> when there is a communion service in <sup>the other</sup> ~~either~~ church, shall continue to be observed; it is resolved that in the future the communion services in this church be held on the first Sundays in January, April, July, and October instead of the second Sundays in those months, as at present.

Closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson

Clerk.

April

April 8<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, & John Gardner, R. B. Richardson, Chas. I. Wade & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

The minutes of the session from May 13<sup>th</sup> 1894 to April 7<sup>th</sup> 1895 were read and approved.

At the suggestion of the pastor that he be allowed to preach one Sunday afternoon in each month during

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the summer months, at the Alleghany Church, the session most heartily approves the plan.

The following reports were read, approved, ordered to be read to the congregation and forwarded to Presbytery:

Report of the Sabbath School for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1895.

No. on the rolls,

Teachers, 13

Scholars, 80

Average attendance

Teachers, 11.74

Scholars 59.86

Contributions of School,

For its own expenses \$ 60.66

" other purposes. 350.00

- 1 School is under the supervision & control of the session
- 2 The pastor & four elders attend upon the services of the school.
- 3 The pastor preaches regularly to the children.
- 4 The Catechisms are taught in the school.
- 5 The Earnest worker is taken in the school.
- 6 The young people memorize the Scriptures to some extent.
- 7 The Bible, & Earnest worker, <sup>catechisms</sup> are used as books of instruction
- 8 No special religious interest in the school during the year
- 9 Collections are not made for objects ordered by the assembly
- 10 Scholars generally attend the public preaching of the Word.

Narrative of the session for the year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1895-

- 1 official fidelity on the part of ministers, ruling elders and deacons.

This is a question we prefer to have passed upon by others than ourselves - Recently 3 elders & 2 deacons have been elected

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- 2 Attendance upon the services of the sanctuary.  
Very good.
- 3 Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.  
There have been nine additions to the church on profession of faith, the result of quiet work as no special services have been held.
- 4 General Improvement of the church, addition to communion.  
Nine have been added on profession as stated above and seven on certificate - Twenty-five persons who have removed beyond the bounds of the church and whose residences are unknown, have been placed on the retired list.
- 5 Christian deportment & growth in grace of church members.  
Very good.
- 6 Fidelity of the church members in laboring in the Sabbath School and other church work.  
Very good.
- 7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath Schools and families.  
We fear it is neglected in the families - Improvement in the Sabbath School.
- 8 Family worship among members of the church.  
Has declined.
- 9 The observance of the sabbath among church members.  
Very good.
- 10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.  
Very good.
- 11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sin.  
Not much among the members.
- 12 Religious instruction of colored people  
None.

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- 13 How much is due on the pastor's salary  
Nothing.

Statistical report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1895:

Elders,	6
Deacons,	5
Added on Examination	9
" " Certificate	7
Total of Communicants	187
Adult Baptisms	6
Infant "	2
Officers + teachers in S.S. + Bible Classes	13
Scholars " "	80

Funds collected,

Foreign Missions,	\$ 162.00
Assembly's Home Missions,	39.00
Local Home Missions,	71.00
Colored Evangelistic Fund,	10.00
Invalid Fund,	34.00
Education,	363.00
Publication,	9.00
Bible Society,	11.00
Presbyterial,	28.00
Pastor's Salary actually paid,	1000.00
Congregational,	200.00

Total

\$

The minutes of this meeting were read + approved + the session then closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
Clerk

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Examined & approved as far as written at  
Christiansburg 11<sup>th</sup> April 1895

with following exceptions —

- 1<sup>st</sup> Book not before Presbytery since Apr 1893.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Proceedings of Board of Deacons not annually  
reviewed.

Robert C. Anderson, Jr.  
Moderator

See page 253 for minutes  
of session April 10<sup>th</sup> 1895  
accidentally omitted here.

Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1895

June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Session met in Pastor's Study —

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor & R. B. Richardson, John Gardner,  
Charles J. Wade, J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Miss. Lake V. Sullivan was received as a member of  
this church on certificate from the Presbyterian Church,  
Shelbyville, Ky.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson clerk.

Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 1895.

June 30<sup>th</sup>

Session met in Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, & John Gardner, R. B. Rich-  
ardson, Chas. J. Wade, J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs. Jennie S. Hickok, nee Wade, Philip L. Haymaker, Wm.  
R. Haymaker and Charles H. Haymaker were received into  
the church on their professions of faith in Christ after  
the usual examination.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

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July 14<sup>th</sup>Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, John Gardner, R. B. Richardson, Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade, J. H. Thompson, and Geo. R. Johnson, Elders,

opened with prayer.

Frank A. Hickok was received as a member of this church as on a certificate from the M. E. Church, South, and Richard Shelton and Samuel E. Shelton were received on their profession of faith in Christ, after the usual examination.

R. B. Richardson reported that he had attended the meeting of Presbytery held in this church on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April last, to which he was elected a delegate.

The board of deacons made their quarterly report showing all demands upon the church had been met.

adjourned, closed with prayer-

Geo. R. Johnson, Clerk.

August.

Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and John Gardner, R. B. Richardson, Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade, J. H. Thompson, and Geo. R. Johnson, Elders

opened with prayer.

Mr<sup>s</sup>. Ella P. Croasly (nee Phlegan) a member of this church in good and regular standing is at her own request hereby dismissed to unite with the Hyde Park, Presbyterian Church Chicago Ill. and is affectionately commended to that church.

J. H. Thompson is elected principal and R. B. Richardson alternate to the meeting of Presbytery to be held at Falling Springs Church.

adjourned - closed with prayer-

Geo. R. Johnson  
Clerk



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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

October

Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 1895

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper, Pastor, and R. B. Richardson, J. H. Thompson and Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade, Elders. Opened with prayer.

In the absence of the clerk, Charles J. Wade was appointed clerk pro tem.  
The following persons who are members of this church in good and regular standing are at their own request dismissed, Beverly Sydney to unite with the Meadsville, Presbyterian Church; John D. Greenhaw, and Mrs. John D. Greenhaw to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Graham, Va. and James F. Salloway to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Bluefield W. Va.

R. B. Richardson reported that he had attended the meeting of Presbytery at Falling Springs Church.

J. R. Johnson is appointed delegate with J. H. Thompson as alternate to the next meeting of the Synod of Virginia.

The quarterly report of the deacons was submitted from which it appears that all obligations of the church have been met. Session adjourned and was closed with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson, clerk

November

Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 1895

Session met at Pastor's Study.

Present, Rev. J. W. Hooper, Pastor, and R. B. Richardson, J. H. Thompson, Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade, and J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Thomas W. Spindle, Mrs. Lavinia S. Spindle, Lucille C. Spindle & Allie V. Spindle, members of this church in good and regular standing are at their own request dismissed to unite with the 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church at Roanoke City.

adjourned with prayer.

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

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## MINUTES OF SESSION.

November

Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1895

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and, R. B. Richardson, Cha<sup>s</sup>.  
J. Wade, J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mr. F. W. Gardner a member of this church appeared before the session and confessed that he had not been living a consistent life as a Christian, that it was his desire to renew his obligations to the church and at his request the pastor is directed to make a public announcement to the congregation of this action on the part of Mr. Gardner.

Margaret S. Rhea a member of this church in good standing is at her request dismissed to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Blountville, Tenn.

Session closed with prayer

J. R. Johnson  
Clerk

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January

Sunday Jan<sup>y</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1896

Session met at Pastor's study.

Present, T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and R. B. Richardson, Cha<sup>s</sup>. J. Wade, J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson, Elders.

Opened with prayer.

Mrs. S. A. Hurley a member of this church in good standing was dismissed, at her own request, to unite with the Presbyterian Church at Bramwell, <sup>W. Va.</sup> and Mrs. Mary Zimmerman (formerly Hanson) also a member of this church was, at her own request, dismissed to unite with Anchor of Hope Church W. Va.

The delegate to Synod reported his inability to attend the sessions of that body & his excuse was deemed satisfactory.

The deacon's quarterly report showed the financial condition of the church to be good, with all demands paid.

Session closed with prayer.

J. R. Johnson  
Clerk

## MINUTES OF SESSION.

April  
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Session met at Pastor's study during the Session of Presbytery  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor, and R. B. Richardson, Chas. J. Wade,  
 J. H. Thompson & J. R. Johnson, Elders - opened with prayer.  
 Archer A. Phlegar Jr, Charles J. Wade, Jr., and Colin B.  
 Junkin were received into the church on profession of their  
 faith in Christ after the usual examination  
 closed with prayer -

Jno. R. Johnson  
 Clerk

Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> 1896

Session met at Pastor's study -  
 Present, Rev. T. W. Hooper, Pastor and Chas. J. Wade, R. B. Richardson  
 & J. H. Thompson, Elders - Opened with prayer.  
 In the absence of the clerk J. H. Thompson was appointed  
 clerk pro. tem.

The following members of this church in good standing  
 are, at their request dismissed, viz: Mrs. E. B. Gardner to  
 unite with the Presbyterian Church at Decatur, Ga.; Miss Mary  
 M. C. Junkin to unite with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Church, Richmond, Va.; and  
 Henry Lee to unite with the Pryor Memorial Church, Crewe Va.

The minutes of the session from April 10<sup>th</sup> 1895 to January  
 12<sup>th</sup> 1896 were then read and approved.

The following reports were read, approved, ordered to  
 be read to the congregation and forwarded to Presbytery:

Report of the Sabbath School for year ending April  
 1<sup>st</sup> 1896.

No. on Rolls	
Teachers,	13
Scholars,	75
Average attendance	
Teachers,	11 $\frac{2}{3}$
Scholars	51 $\frac{3}{4}$

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Scholars admitted to the Communion,	H.
Contributions of School,	
For its own expenses,	\$55.58
For other expenses	\$385.55

School is under supervision and control of session.

Pastor & Elders attend upon services of school.

Pastor preaches regularly every month to children.

Catechism is taught in the school.

Earnest Worker is taken in the school.

Young people memorize scriptures to some extent.

Earnest Worker is used besides the Bible and Church Standards.

No special religions in school during the year.

Collections are not made for the objects ordered by the Assembly.

The public preach of the word is fairly well attended by the scholars.

No efforts have been made to maintain a school for colored people.

Narrative of the Session for year ending April  
1<sup>st</sup> 1896.

1 Official fidelity on the part of ministers, ruling elders & deacons.

Good. One elder has died - one deacon has died and another moved away.

2 Attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary.

Very good.

3 Special out-pourings of the Holy Ghost.

None.

4 General improvement of the church, addition to the communion.

Fourteen added on examination and two on certificate

Fifteen dismissed and two died

5 Christian department and growth in grace of the church members.

Good.

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6 Fidelity of the church members in laboring in Sabbath School and other church work.

All of our active elders, not all the church members.

7 Catechetical and Bible instruction in Sabbath School & families

Mostly in Sabbath School, but some taught at home.

8 Family worship among members of the church.

Neglected.

9 The observance of the Sabbath among church members.

Very good.

10 Fidelity of God's people in worshipping the Lord with their substance.

Very good.

11 The prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sin.

Not much among church members.

12 Religious instruction of colored people.

They have their own.

13 The diligence and success of the church in reaching the spiritually destitute in its vicinity.

Pastor preaches once a month at Alleghany Church.

14 How much is due on the Pastor's salary?

Nothing, but owing to deaths and removals, salary reduced to original call.

Statistical report for year ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 1896

Elders, 5.

Deacons 4.

Communicants added on examination 10.

" " " certificate 2.

Total of Communicants 182.

Adult Baptisms 4.

Infant " 2.

Officers & teachers in S.S. & Bible classes 13.

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Scholars in S.S. & Bible classes	75
Funds collected.	
Foreign missions,	\$ 107.00
Assembly's Home Missions,	57.00
Local Home Missions,	64.00
Colored Evangelistic Fund,	17.00
Invalid Fund,	27.00
Education,	456.00
Publication,	24.00
Bible Society	16.00
Presbyterial	22.00
Pastor's Salary actually paid	900.00
Congregational	172.00
	<u>\$1862.00</u>

Charles J. Wade was elected principal and R. B. Richardson alternate, to attend the meeting of Presbytery to be held in Lynchburg on April 15<sup>th</sup> 1896.

The deacons submitted their quarterly report which shows the demands on the church are all paid.

The following memorial was adopted and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:-

In Memoriam:

Judge John Gardner.

In closing the minutes for the past year, the session would place upon record this brief memorial of our honored brethren.

Born, April, 16<sup>th</sup> 1825.

Married, August, 11<sup>th</sup> 1852.

Died, December, 7<sup>th</sup> 1895.

Judge Gardner was born here and lived here more than seventy years, and died honored and beloved by all

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the community. When a young man he made a public profession of faith, was ordained a deacon, served as treasurer, and for a few months served as a faithful elder, having been ordained last spring.

In civil life he was Post-master, School Trustee, Judge of the County Court, and Treasurer of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College. In this last office he died, and among the throng attending his funeral services were the faculty and many of the students of that Institution.

In his family he was a devoted husband, a kind and indulgent father; a man of quick impulses, but generous and tender-hearted to all the household.

As a friend and neighbor he was genial in temperament, companionable with all, and a friend of conspicuous virtues.

As a session we shall miss his Godly example, his social intercourse, his sound judgment, his self-denying services.

With profound reverence and resignation we bow meekly to Him who said to his faithful servant, "Come up higher".

The minutes of this meeting of the session were then read & approved, and the session was closed with prayer

Jno. R. Johnson  
clerk

Examined & approved ~~is~~ for as written  
in Presbytery at Lynchburg, April 17. 1896

B. W. McChase, Moderator.

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A list of members of the Presbyterian Church at Christiansburg  
wgs, and the time when admitted.

Died Jan 10 <sup>th</sup> 1870	Mrs Nancy Lawrence	on Examination	9 <sup>th</sup> October 1827.
Died Oct 29 <sup>th</sup> 1884	Mrs Sam Murray	"	Same
Died May 30-1881	Mrs Ellen Gardner	"	Same
Died July 1855	Mrs Betty Gardner	"	20 <sup>th</sup> September 1828
Died July 1873	Mrs Emily Wade	"	November 1830
Died Nov 9 <sup>th</sup> 1877	Rice & Montague	"	August 1831.
Died 25 Oct 1852	Mrs. Mary Taylor	"	August 1831
Died 20 March 1871	Mrs. Mary F Montague	"	August 1831
Died 27 Feb 1887	Joseph J Edie	"	April 1832
Died Fri. May 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1879	Mrs. Mary Stephens	"	April 1832
Died? April 20. 74	Mrs. Agnes Ingle (Woodruff)	"	November 1832
Died 20. Apr 1874	Mrs. Eleuthera S Hammitt	"	November 1832
Died Dec 1898	Mrs. Louisa A Miller (Craig)	"	Same
Died October 1854	Amanda Miller (Edie)	"	Same.
Died 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1878	Mrs. Catherine Lakin	"	Same.
Died 1871	Martha Peterson (Haymaker)	"	10 August 1834
Dead.	Samuel Pierce (Pierce)	"	Same
Died. Mch. 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1882.	Sarah H Lawrence (Tenny)	"	Same.
Died 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 1876	Francis H Lawrence (Courier)	"	Same
Died 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1879	Mrs Sarah Murray	Certificate	21 July 1839
Died 25 July 1873	Mrs. Mary Gardner	Examination	20 October 1839.
Died 20 Apr 1874	Mrs. Catherine Ingle (Jones)	on Certificate	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 1840
Died 1891	Jonathan F Evans	on Exam <sup>n</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1842
Died 21 Apr 1872	Miss Margaret Kyle (H. Hudson)	Exam <sup>n</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1842
	Miss Jane Edie (Wade)	Exam <sup>n</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1842
Dismissed July 14-1883	Wm. Mc C. Montague	Exam <sup>n</sup>	20. Sept 1842
Died	John May	Exam <sup>n</sup>	20 Sept 1842
Died 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan 79	Mrs. Christina Page	Exam <sup>n</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1842
Died 1877	Mrs. Sarah Cockett	Exam <sup>n</sup>	
	Miss Rebecca Cockett	same	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept 1842
	Miss Lydia Cockett	same	



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En <sup>d</sup> no 74	R Miss Mary Jane Blewett	Exam.	20 Sept 1844
Dead	David Jones	Exam.	10 Nov 1844
Dismiss	Miss Elizabeth Wade (Miller)	Exam.	20 Sept 1845
Dead	Miss Mary Ann Baranite, Bragg	Exam.	11 Oct 1846
Dismiss Jan 7 <sup>th</sup> 1882	Miss Anna Phlogan	Exam <sup>heat again May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1845</sup>	31st Aug 1847
Dead	Miss Mary Sullivan	Exam.	26 Sept 1847
Dismiss July 14-1850	Miss Henrietta McK Montague	Exam.	15 May 1849
Con. Dismiss Sept 27 <sup>th</sup> 1849 <small>heat again Apr 12/50</small>	Miss Margaret Le Dugles (Wade)	Exam.	2nd Aug 1849
Dead	Miss Anna Le Taylor (Pepper)	Certificates	18 Nov 1849
	Miss Martha S Montague	Exam.	18 Nov 1849
Dead Dec 7 <sup>th</sup> 1849	John Gardner	Exam.	18 Nov 1849
	Mr Catherine Latham	Exam.	18 Nov 1849
Dismiss 17 Sept 1870	Miss Mary Curtis	Exam.	20 Nov 1849
	R Miss Mary Smith Wade	Exam.	21 Nov 1849
	R Miss Sarah Blake (Brown)	Exam.	17 Feb 1850
Dismiss 5 Oct 1870	Miss Catherine W Gardner (Montague)	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
	Miss Margaret W Wade (Gardner)	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
Dismiss	Miss Maria B Blewett (Gardner)	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
	Miss Caroline E Gardner (Figg)	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
	Miss Mary Maria Figgate	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
Dead	Mr Henry Price	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
Dead	Robert S Latham	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
Dead Feb 25 <sup>th</sup> 1850	John Le Wade	Exam.	23 Feb 1850
Dead	Wm L Pagan	Certificate	14 Dec 1850
Dead 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug 1850	Dr Juliet G Lebridge		26 Jan 1851
Dead	Miss Catherine Wade (Taylor)	Exam.	6 Sept 1851
Dead	R Miss Elizabeth Blake	Exam.	6 Sept 1851
	Miss Mary Price (Pagan)	Exam.	6 Sept 1851
Dead Mar 11 <sup>th</sup> 1851	Mr Hamilton W Shields	Exam.	7 Sept 1851
Dead	James Le Taylor	Exam.	7 Sept 1851
	Thomas S Montague	Exam.	7 Sept 1851
Dead Aug 7 <sup>th</sup> 1851	James R Gardner	Exam.	7 Sept 1851
	R Catherine Lebridge	Exam.	16 Nov 1851

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Died 1890	Mr John R. Stephens	Exam.	4 <sup>th</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> 1852
	Mr. Margaret R. Stephens	Exam.	4 Dec <sup>r</sup> 1852
Died Aug <sup>r</sup> 1871	Mr Robert M. Sipscomb.	Certificates	31 <sup>st</sup> July 1852
Died Nov 1874	R. Mr Joseph M. Wilson	Exam.	14 August 1853
Died Nov 1873	Col. James M. Wade	Exam.	4 March 1854
Died 20 Apr 1874	Miss Fannie J. Ingles	Exam.	4 March 1854
Died	Miss Mary W. Taylor (Lewis)	Exam.	4 March 1854
Examined	Miss Emma Wade (Twenty)	Exam.	4 <sup>th</sup> March 1854
Died 20 Apr 1874	Mr Richard P. Jones	Exam.	4 March 1854
Died 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan 1879	Mr Wm. Wade Jr.	Exam.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr <sup>r</sup> 1854
Died Mch. 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1882	Mr John T. Taney	Exam.	19 Nov <sup>r</sup> 1854
	Mr Margaret Hagan	Certificates	26 Nov <sup>r</sup> 1854
Died 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb 1878	Mr John Haymaker	Exam.	25 March 1855
Died	Mr Peter Haymaker	Exam.	25 March 1855
	R. Miss Esther Crockett	Exam.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 1855
Died Sunday Octo. 15 - 1882	Mr. Isaac A. Pierce	Certificates	7 March 1857
	Miss Nellie Taylor (Miss)	Exam.	7 March 1857
Minister	Mr Edward Hoge	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died. Dec 1878	Col. John D. Wade	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died 1904	Mr Henry C. Parrott	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died April 9 1880	Mr James W. Barnett	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died Jan 1873	Miss Emma S. Gardner (Wicks)	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died Nov 1875	Mr Mary Ann Wade	Exam.	29 March 1857
	R. Mr James C. Leach	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died 10 <sup>th</sup> Octo 1880	Miss Sarah E. Coie (Hollings)	Exam.	29 March 1857
Died	R. Mr J. Wade Montague	Exam.	30 April 1857
Died 13 Jan 1877	Mr Elizabeth P. Shields	Certificates	30 April 1857
Died Jan 1872	Mr. Lucina Roacher	Exam.	4 July 1858
Died Dec. 31 1881	Mr Joseph Haseman	Exam.	10 Oct <sup>r</sup> 1858
	R. Mr George Bane	Exam.	10 Oct <sup>r</sup> 1858
	Miss Malinda M. Craig (Taylor)	Exam.	27 Feb <sup>r</sup> 1859
	Miss Sarah E. Montague (Dunkin)	Exam.	27 Feb <sup>r</sup> 1859
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Miss Mary Ellen Sullivan	Exam.	27 Feb <sup>r</sup> 1859

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- Died 13 Jan 1877 Mr James W Shields Exam. 17<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Miss ~~Anna~~ ~~Abigail~~ ~~Shields~~ Exam. 17<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Died 18 March 1871 Miss Lucia F Milson (Miller, Esq) Exam 17<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Died 18 July 1871 Mr George Fleriot Exam. 17<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Mr Samuel Whitlock Exam. 29<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Miss Mary T Corcoran Exam. 20<sup>th</sup> March 1859
- Died 13 Nov 1870 Miss Susilla Leedy Certificate 30 Dec 1859
- Or Mrs Francis S Bane Exam. 22 January 1860.
- Or Mr James M Peterson Exam. 2nd Aug 1863.
- Died Aug 1875 Miss Kate S Kyle Exam. 4 June 1865.
- Died 1871 Mr James W Shields Jr Exam 25 June 1865
- Died Mr Joseph M Corcoran Exam. 25 June 1865.
- Miss Emma E Lewis Exam. 25 June 1865.
- Died Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 1882 Miss Lella G. Phelan (Solomon) Exam. 25 June 1865  
Rec'd again May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1880
- Died Jan 31<sup>st</sup> 1870 Miss Betty Lockridge Exam. 25 June 1865
- Died 4 Sept 1869 Miss Mary Richardson (Commission) Exam. 25 June 1865  
(Flagg)
- Miss Ellen Lumb Corcoran Exam 25 June 1865
- Died 9<sup>th</sup> Apr 1881 Miss Laura Sweeney (Barnett) Exam 25 June 1865
- Died Miss Lucy S Shields Exam. 19 Nov 1865.
- Died Mr David S Stephens Exam 10 June 1866
- Miss Mary Stephens (Charlotte) Exam. 10 June 1866
- Mr Keller Montague Exam. 20 July 1866
- Died 26 Dec 1869 Mr Lella S. Warden Certificate 22 July 1866
- Or Miss Cynthia Teany Exam. 23 October 1866
- Died Nov. 1875 Mr Charles B Gardner Exam. 6 January 1867
- Died 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 1881 Robert G. Tigg Exam. 6 January 1867
- Died Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 1882 Mr John P. Solomon Exam. 6 January 1867  
Rec'd again May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1880
- Died Mr Thomas W Spindle Exam. 6 January 1867
- Died Mr George S Jenkins Certificate 2nd Feby. 1867
- Died Mr L D Lorentz Exam. 6 Apr 1867
- Died 2 Nov 1874 Mr John A. Lyle Exam. 6 Apr 1867
- Died 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 78 Dr George P. Helmer Certif. 29 May 1867
- Died 23 Nov 1870 Mrs Letitia W. Hooper Certificate 20 Oct 1867

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Dis <sup>d</sup> 4 Sept 1867	F. Oscar Rogers	Certificate	28 Sept 1867	
Same	M <sup>rs</sup> Sumnerville R Rogers	Certificate	28 Sept 1867	
	M <sup>rs</sup> Fleming Gardner	Exam.	21st March 1868	
<sup>Monday</sup> Died July 20. 1883	Leop <sup>d</sup> James Wides	Exam.	21st March 1868	
	M <sup>rs</sup> May Wade	Exam.	21. March 1868	
	M <sup>rs</sup> Bettie Sumant	Exam.	12 April 1868	
Dis <sup>d</sup> 20 Apr 1874	M <sup>rs</sup> Rufell S. Davis	Exam.	12 April 1868	
	R. Miss Jennie R Edmundson	Exam.	2 May 1868	
Dis <sup>d</sup> 18 March 1871	Miss Wannie H Lury	Exam.	2 May 1868	
	R. M <sup>r</sup> Joseph D Feather	Exam.	2d May 1868	
	R. Miss Elizabeth Hagan	Certificate	10 Oct 1868	
<sup>Dismissed</sup>	M <sup>rs</sup> Emma Cooper	Exam.	10 Oct 1868	
	R. M <sup>r</sup> John L Mays	Exam.	30 January 1869	
Dis <sup>d</sup> 25 Feb 1871	Miss Bettie M Darrst	Exam.	30 January 1869	
Minister	M <sup>r</sup> Roger Martin	Certificate	30 January 1869	
Dis <sup>d</sup> Miss <sup>d</sup> March 1873	M <sup>rs</sup> Margaret T Martin	Certificate	30 January 1869	
	Miss Susan Watkins	Certificate	30 January 1869	
Died	R. M <sup>r</sup> Charles A Page	Exam.	6 Feb 1869	
Died June 12 1877	M <sup>rs</sup> Wm S Smith	Certificate	6 April 1869	
Died	M <sup>rs</sup> India E Gardner	Exam.	17 April 1869	
	R. Miss Mary C Wilson	Exam.	17 April 1869	
Dis <sup>d</sup> 22 July 1879	M <sup>rs</sup> Minnie F Smost	Exam.	3 July 1869	
Died Feb. 18 <sup>th</sup> 1883	Miss W H S Miller	Exam.	3d July 1869	
<sup>Sunday morning</sup>	" Jan. 4 <sup>th</sup> 1886	M <sup>rs</sup> Mary Miller	Exam.	3d July 1869
	R. M <sup>rs</sup> Nadine Miller Moon	Certificate	2d Oct 1869	
Dis <sup>d</sup>	Miss Cynthia W Stephens	Exam.	18 October 1869	
Dis <sup>d</sup> Aug 25/77	R. M <sup>r</sup> Mary E Russell	Exam.		
Dis <sup>d</sup> Sept 1875	M <sup>rs</sup> Sam B Gardner	Exam.		
Dis <sup>d</sup> 4 Dec 1870	M <sup>rs</sup> Catharine L Murray	Exam.	4 December 1869	
	R. M <sup>rs</sup> Louie Morsly	Exam.		
	R. M <sup>r</sup> John W Basidon	Exam.		
Dis <sup>d</sup> 4 Dec 1870	M <sup>r</sup> John Murray	Certificate		

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- Dis<sup>d</sup> Mr Garnett T. Packer  
 " Mr Fannie Packer. 5<sup>th</sup> March 1870. on examination  
 R Mr Robert Figgatt  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Sept. 1875 Mr James C. Mosier on examination  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Sept 1875 Mrs Lela M. Mair 5 June 1870  
 Mrs Mary A. Hef on examination  
 Miss Julia A. Hef 7<sup>th</sup> April 1871.  
 Dis Thomas C. Sullivan, From retired list.  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Feb'y 1888 Crockett L. Pierce on exam<sup>n</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup> April 1871  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 3 Sept 1872 Professor Charles Martin on certificate  
 Same Mrs Margaret Martin 6<sup>th</sup> January 1872  
 Miss Lucy Price (Graham)  
 Miss Lella Price  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 12 July 1873 Miss Lucy A. Hobson  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 6 Sept 1873 " Lillie Kyle  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 23 Nov. 1876 " Lella M. Mair  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> & Mch. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1882 " Isabella Le Hagar on examination  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 5 April 1873, Mary Lewis Montague 6<sup>th</sup> January 1872  
 " Mary C. Gardner (Childress)  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 6 April 1872 " Sophie Waddell  
 " Lella T. Sprinkle  
 " Bellie C. Gardner (Pinkow)  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 12 July 1873 Mr A. A. Hobson  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> & returned " Robert M. Gardner  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Sept 1874 James Figgatt Wade  
 " to the Ministry " Wm C. Hagan Jr.  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> 1882 Miss Fannie W. Lippcomb  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 8 Sept 1872 " Mary M. Snyder on examination 7<sup>th</sup> July 1872  
 joined Baptist ch. " Lucy S. Holman  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 1 Aug 1875 Miss Ann M. Kyle on examination  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Miss Minnie C. Pepper 6 April 1872  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> Misses to the Min- Mr William M. C. M. on  
 Dis<sup>d</sup> 8 Jan'y 1876 Mr Joseph A. Childress on certificate 29 June 1872

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- Died Mr. Martin Chastton 7<sup>th</sup> December 1872. Certificate dissolved but  
 read Miss Lacey Chastton 3<sup>rd</sup> returned the certificate.
- Died 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 1874 Mr. Thomas Gibson 3<sup>rd</sup> on examination
- Died 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 1874 Mr. Thomas M. Gibson 3<sup>rd</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1873.
- Died 29<sup>th</sup> June 73 Mrs. Lucilla Casady on exam. 28 June 1873.  
Mrs. Susan Chleyer on cert. 3 November 1873.
- Died 4<sup>th</sup> Febry 1881 John S. Hagar on exam. 11 January 1874
- Died 1<sup>st</sup> April 1876 Miss Julia Harvey on exam. 1<sup>st</sup> March 1874.
- Died 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1878 Julia E. Felger on certificate 20 April 1873
- Died Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1888 Mrs. Margit P. P. P. on cert. 4 April 1874
- Died 26<sup>th</sup> Apr 1875 James Robert Gray on exam. 11 July 1874
- Died Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1881 Miss Kate Fleming on exam. 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1874.  
Mrs. Nichelle Newey on exam. 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Cor. Exam. Sept 1882 Mrs. Julia A. Mantogee Exam. 11 October 1874
- Died April 15<sup>th</sup> 1876 Capt. J. A. Roberts 3<sup>rd</sup> on certificate from Church. 1<sup>st</sup> January 1875
- " " " " Mr. S. E. Roberts 3<sup>rd</sup> church. 1<sup>st</sup> January 1875
- Died 7<sup>th</sup> & Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> Mr. Harry Bell 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Andrew Chastton on exam. 6 February 1875.
- Died 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 78 Miss Lucy A. Nelson on certificate 31<sup>st</sup> March 1875.
- Cor. Exam. Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1882 Miss Madeline Harvey Exam. 3<sup>rd</sup> 4 April 1875.  
 to New River Church. Exam. 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Died Dec 1876 Mrs. Maria Salisbury 3<sup>rd</sup> on examination
- Died 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 1876 Miss Sarah M. Montague 3<sup>rd</sup> 12 June 1875  
 + Joseph Edie Tiggat 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Res. John E. Waddell on examination
- Mr. W. R. Dryer on certificate 3<sup>rd</sup> 4 July
- Died 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 78 Mr. Augustus M. Brown on certificate 3<sup>rd</sup> 1375
- " " " " Mr. Ellen Nelson same
- + Mr. Glenn Salisbury on exam. 9 Feb. 1875.
- + St. Isaac and W. Harris
- Died March 14. 1886 Mrs. Arden Maria Harris 3<sup>rd</sup> on exam. 10 Oct 1875.  
Mr. F. W. Gardner 3<sup>rd</sup> on certificate 8 Jan 1876  
 Res. Mr. J. E. Coffey 3<sup>rd</sup> on certificate Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1876.

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James T. Haymaker  
David J. Stephens  
Elija H. Stephens  
Mrs Nancy C. Shelton

On Examination  
17<sup>th</sup> December 1876

Dis<sup>d</sup> 21 June 1877 Miss Mary H. Shields  
Suspended 9<sup>th</sup> Aug 78 Hade Taylor

On Examination 24 Dec. 1876

Suspended 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 78 Chas. E. Gardner  
Chas. J. Hade

Dis<sup>d</sup> July 14-1883 Mrs Onora M. Latimer

On Examination  
13<sup>th</sup> January 1877

" " Mary J. Bryan  
Bettie E. Hendry  
Isa B. Crush

Dis<sup>d</sup> July 14-1883 Mrs Onora M. Latimer  
Lucy H. Gardner

Dead Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1877 Mrs O. Ragan

Dis<sup>d</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> July 83 R John A. Shields

On Examination 14 July 1877  
Certificate

Mrs Martha C. Haymaker

Dis<sup>d</sup> Oct. 13-1883 Chas. M. Bragg

On Examination 21 July 1877

18 Wm J. Gardner

On Examination 29 Mar 1877

Susp<sup>d</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 1881 John A. Morton

Dead 1891 + John P. Wainwright

+ Abner A. Hester

Susp<sup>d</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 1882 John C. Lawrence

John B. Lawrence

On Examination

Dis<sup>d</sup> Wm. F. Heston

14<sup>th</sup> April 1877

" Sarah Ellen Heston

Dis<sup>d</sup> Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> 1882 Lucy C. Barnes. Dead again May 24 1883

Harvey D. Walters

Dead Mrs Rosa M. Walters

Annie F. Gardner

Dis<sup>d</sup> July 14-1883 Rosa L. Montague

Dead 1891. Alexander C. Cooper

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Joined Epis. ch.	✓	Betty M. Taylor		
		May G. Maby (Thomas)	On Examination	
		Walt. M <sup>o</sup> Maby		
Dismissed		Estelle Harbey.		7 <sup>th</sup> April 1877.
		Thomas J. Hodner		
	R	Ferdinand Harroy		
Dis <sup>d</sup> Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1882		Josh N. Robinson		
		Eva L. Gardner		
Died 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 78		Bertha P. Hobson		
		Samuel C. Shelton		
		+ Wm. F. Shelton		
		+ James P. Shelton		
	+	Lindsay. P. Haymather.	On Examination	
Dismissed July 8 <sup>th</sup> 1881		William J. Clarry		
		Philip Haymather.		8 <sup>th</sup> April 1877.
Died		John L. Taylor		
Died 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1878		Josh E. Nade		
		Prucella A. E. Lawrence		
	R	Eva Sue Piggat		
Died 9 <sup>th</sup> July 1880		Margaret Piper.		
Dismissed 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1880		Mrs Ella Thesley	On certificate	8 April 1877
Died		Elizabeth A. Christman	On Examination	15 " "
		William C. Flagg.	"	" 29 " "
Died 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1879		Josh A. Rader	"	" " " "
	R	Samuel J. Style	"	" " " "
Died 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1879		Agnes Jane Wilson (Rader)	"	" 6 May "
	R	George P. Rader	"	" 17 June "
	R	Mrs Margaret E. Rader	"	" " " "
Dismissed 1881		Manj W. Lavender	"	" 30 <sup>th</sup> " "
Dismissed Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup> 1882.		Clorinda A. Lavender	"	" " " "
Died 13 <sup>th</sup> July 1878		C. H. O. Carden	"	" 1 <sup>st</sup> July "
		Bertha E. Flagg	"	" " " "
	R	Melvina V. Newell (Bill)	"	" " " "



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(Dismissed) Dismissed Apr 29 - 1881	Nellie M. Hurley	On Examination	1 <sup>st</sup> July 1877
	Lizzie V. Purce	" "	" " "
Dead	Ann G. Gurrant	" "	7 <sup>th</sup> " "
Dead	Ro. J. Hudgins	" "	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept "
	Horace S. Hudgins	" "	" " "
	Bettie Hudgins	" "	" " "
	Mary A. Hudgins	" "	" " "
Dead	Mrs. Janet Alley	" "	" " "
R	Mrs Octavia Wainwright	" "	23 <sup>rd</sup> " "
R	Miss Octavia Ann Wainwright	" "	" " "
	Mrs Elizabeth Akers	" "	" " "
Dead	Bettie M. Stephens	" "	7 <sup>th</sup> Octo "
	Sarah Margaret Murray	" "	4 <sup>th</sup> Novr. "
R	John Frederick Miller	On Certificate	7 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1878
Dismiss Sept 15 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Mrs Petronella L. Johnson	" "	" " "
Dismiss	Mrs Lavinia C. Spindle	" Examination	12 " "
Dismiss	Mrs Sue B. Gardner	restored 27 <sup>th</sup> April 1878. cert. not having been used	
Dismiss Oct 10 <sup>th</sup> 1880	A. Osborne	On Certificate	17 <sup>th</sup> May 1878
Dismiss 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 1878	Dr. Geo. C. Wyer	" "	12 <sup>th</sup> July "
Dismiss 25 <sup>th</sup> April 1884	Erasmus M. Thomas	" "	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept "
Dismissed	Jane Montague Junkin	" Examination	12 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1879
Dead (23)	Hannie Bars Montague	" "	" " "
Dismiss	Maggie V. T. Kent	" "	9 <sup>th</sup> July "
	A. L. Simpson	" Certificate	5 <sup>th</sup> Octo "
	Mr E. W. Simpson	" "	" " "
Dismiss Apr. 14 <sup>th</sup> 1883	Thos. Will Simpson	" "	" " "
	Miss E. W. Simpson	" "	" " "
Dismiss 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb'y 1886	Mrs. Elizabeth Will	" "	" " "
Dismiss	George P. Hagan	" Examination	14 <sup>th</sup> November "
Dismiss May 4 <sup>th</sup> 1884	Mr. James J. Saunders	" "	1 <sup>st</sup> January 1880
Dismiss May 4 <sup>th</sup> 1884	Mrs Ella L. Saunders	" Certificate	" " "
	Peter W. Reid	" "	10 <sup>th</sup> Octo "
	Jessie Reid	" "	" " "

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Dismissed	Mr <sup>s</sup> Agnes Parker	On Certificate	10 <sup>th</sup> Octo. 1880
"	Edward G. Gardner	" Examination	9 <sup>th</sup> Jany 1881
"	Allen T. Eskridge	" "	6 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 1881
"	Mrs Mary E. Eskridge	" Certificate	6 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 1881
R	" Sophia A. Hurley	" Examination	8 <sup>th</sup> July 1881
	Miss Grace Shelton	" " " "	" " " "
	Mrs Virginia M. Barnett	" " " "	9 <sup>th</sup> " "
	" Fannie L. Wade	" " " "	" " " "
Died May 1882	Mr Julius Gray Charlton	" " " "	3 <sup>rd</sup> May 1882
do.	" E. L. Thomas	" Certificate	29 <sup>th</sup> Sept. "
Died 14 <sup>th</sup> July 1883	Miss Lizzie Wade	" " " "	" " " "
Died Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup> 1882	Mrs James P. Charlton	" Examination -	5 <sup>th</sup> of Octo. 1882.
R	Miss Alice Brent Pierce	" " -	7 <sup>th</sup> " April 1883.
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	John Mercer Blain	" " -	8 <sup>th</sup> " " "
" Nov 15 "	Miss Octavia Fowlkes	" Certificate -	14 <sup>th</sup> " July "
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	" Lucy Virginia McFarland	" Examination -	" " " "
	" Mary Craig Miller	" " " "	" " " "
	Edwin Sheppard Hagan	" " " "	" " " "
Died 1891	Linn Shelton	" " " "	" " " "
Dismissed	Clyde Shelton	" " " "	" " " "
Dismissed	Geo. Holman Gardner	" " " "	" " " "
Dismissed	Miss Lelia Rhodes Hurley	" (Over Spelt -)	15 <sup>th</sup> " " "
	E. A. Charlton	" " " "	19 <sup>th</sup> " Aug. "
	Miss Mary Ellen Logan	" " " "	16 <sup>th</sup> " Sept "
Dismissed	" Lucille Claiborne Spindle	" " " "	14 <sup>th</sup> " Octo "
	Mr. Elizabeth S. Taylor	" " " "	" " " "
Died Mar. 18 <sup>th</sup> 1889	Miss Maggie Lee Figgat	" " " "	12 <sup>th</sup> " Jany 1884
Dismissed	Robert Creed Taylor	" " " "	" " April "
Dismissed Methodist	Mrs M. L. Wade	" Certificate	" " " "
Died Jany 9 <sup>th</sup> 1887	Mrs. A. S. McElanahan	" " " "	" " " "
"	Miss Mattie L. Thomas	" " " "	" " " "
"	Mr. Sarah Simpson	" " " "	" " " "
Died Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Susan Smith Hagan	" Examination	15 <sup>th</sup> " " "

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	Mr <sup>s</sup> Fannie Judkin	Cert.	Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup> 1884
Died Feb. 30 - 1888	Mr <sup>s</sup> Hannie Stone	"	" " "
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Miss Edna H. Turpin	Exam <sup>n</sup>	" " "
	" Agnes M <sup>c</sup> C. Wade	"	Octo 17 <sup>th</sup> "
Minister	William M <sup>c</sup> C. Junkin	"	" 19 <sup>th</sup> "
	Caron Graham	Cert.	" " "
Died	Miss Euphemia S. Simpson	Exam <sup>n</sup>	Jan'y 11 <sup>th</sup> 1885
Died to N.E. ch Sept 13 1888	Larino S. Lester (Bapt <sup>d</sup> )	"	May 3 <sup>rd</sup> "
Died Nov 15 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Randolph H. Blain	"	" " "
" July 10 1887	Miss Adelaide Simpson	Cert.	Octo 10 <sup>th</sup> "
Died	" Jessie W. Reid	Exam <sup>n</sup>	" 11 <sup>th</sup> "
	" Mary L. Wade (John C's daughter)	"	Jan'y 6 <sup>th</sup> 1886
Dismissed	" Laura M <sup>c</sup> D. Pierce	"	" " "
"	" Mary M. M <sup>c</sup> Farland (Bapt <sup>d</sup> )	"	" 23 <sup>rd</sup> "
	" Clyde Charlton (Bapt <sup>d</sup> )	"	" " "
Dismissed Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> 1887	" Leota B. Harris	"	" " "
" " " "	" Lucretia B. Kirby	"	" " "
" Sept 19 <sup>th</sup> "	" Lizzie Kent Cowan	"	" " "
" " " "	" Mary L. Leowan	"	" " "
	" Minnie J. Pyatt	"	" " "
	" Lulie R. Speckard	"	" 24 <sup>th</sup> "
	" Mellie B. Smith	"	" " "
	" Mary L. Wade	"	" " "
	" Fanny M <sup>c</sup> C. Barnett	"	Feb'y 7 <sup>th</sup> "
	" Virgie S. Caspari	"	" 20 <sup>th</sup> "
	" Fannie B. Caspari	"	" " "
Dismissed Sept 19 1887	" Mary L. Barbour	"	" " "
Dismissed Sept 12 86	" Marie L. Whiting	"	" " "
	R John Hampton Hoge	"	Aprile 10 "
Died 1892	Edward B. Wade	"	" " "
Dismissed	Susan J. Lorenty	"	" " "
Died	Theodorick P. Campbell	Cert.	" " "
Died	B. Lacy Hoge	"	" " "
	Mrs <sup>s</sup> Margaret A. Linkous	Exam <sup>n</sup>	July 11 <sup>th</sup> "

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	Lettie H. Johnson	Exam <sup>n</sup>	July 11 <sup>th</sup>	1886
Dismissed	Mrs Anna S. Baird	Cert.	" "	"
Dismissed	Miss Belia E. Baird	"	" "	"
	" Anna M. Baird	"	" "	"
Dismissed	" Mary E. Baird	"	" "	"
	R Thompson M. Baird	"	" "	"
	R Grace A. Blanford	Exam <sup>n</sup>	Octo 10 <sup>th</sup>	"
	R William C. Blanford	"	" "	"
Died	Eliza R. Blanford	"	" "	"
	Maxie A. Gillen	"	Jan'y 9 <sup>th</sup>	1887
Died Octo 15 <sup>th</sup> 1887	Mabel M. Scott	"	" "	"
	Julia H. Baird	"	" "	"
Dismissed	Florence C. Baird	"	" "	"
Dismissed	R Ella T. Phlegar	"	" "	"
Dismissed	David S. Phlegar	"	" "	"
Died	Mrs Eliza Hoge	Cert.	" "	"
Certified	Jane Nellie Hoge	"	" "	"
	R Mrs Charlotte S. Wilson	"	" "	"
	R Henry C. Lee	Exam <sup>n</sup>	March 10 <sup>th</sup>	"
	Henry T. Stone	"	" "	"
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Mabel Steele	"	April "	"
	Fannie M <sup>c</sup> . Miller	"	" "	"
Died	Anna T. Miller	"	" "	"
	John H. Thompson	"	" "	"
Dismissed Mar 18 <sup>th</sup> 1889	Dora Simpson	Cert.	" 12 <sup>th</sup>	"
	Allen S. Evans	Exam <sup>n</sup>	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	"
Died Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Lake V. Sullivan	"	July 10 <sup>th</sup>	"
Dismissed	Kate C. Taylor	"	" "	"
Dismissed	Mrs Virginia B. Spindle	Cert.	Jan'y 7	1888
	R Harry L. Warwick	Exam <sup>n</sup>	" 8	"
Died Octo 7 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Samuel S. Blain	"	" "	"
	R Charles M. Miller	"	Feby 4	"
	R William T. Farley	"	" "	"

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Dismissed	Present	Exm <sup>n</sup>	Feb'y	4 <sup>th</sup>	1888
	Colin M. Baker	Exm <sup>n</sup>	Feb'y	4 <sup>th</sup>	1888
	Benjamin M. Hagan	"	"	"	"
Dismissed	John L. Stephens	"	"	"	"
	Mrs Mary E. Hickok	"	"	"	"
Dismissed	Ella L. Bragg	"	"	"	"
Dismissed	Charles A. Caspari	"	"	"	"
R	Benjamin d. Spindle	"	"	"	"
Dismissed 96	James F. Galloway	"	"	"	"
	Mrs Harriett Woods	"	"	"	"
R	Andrew M. Harvey	"	"	"	"
	James W. Hickok	leert.	"	"	"
Dismissed	John H. Caldwell	"	"	"	"
"	Mrs Virginia L. Caldwell	"	"	"	"
"	Mary H. G. Caldwell	"	"	"	"
"	Charles M. Caldwell	"	"	"	"
	Robert T. Montague	Exm <sup>n</sup>	"	5 <sup>th</sup>	"
	Mattie R. Montague	"	"	"	"
	Emma Montague	"	"	"	"
	Hattie M. Price	"	"	"	"
	Mrs Laura H. Gardner	leert.	"	"	"
	Cha <sup>s</sup> . F. Gardner	Restored	"	"	"
	Mary E. Galloway	Exm <sup>n</sup>	"	6 <sup>th</sup>	"
	Emma G. Miller	"	"	"	"
	Lizzie Galloway	"	"	"	"
	Joseph E. Shumaker	"	March	10 <sup>th</sup>	"
R	Laura Miles	"	"	"	"
Dismissed	Ancil D. Witten	leert	"	"	"
Dismissed	Bettie M. Witten	"	"	"	"
Dead	James T. Miller	Exm <sup>n</sup>	April	7 <sup>th</sup>	"
Dismissed	Edward W. Simpson	"	"	"	"
Dead	Oscar W. Farley	"	"	"	"
Dismissed Octo 7 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Hugh M. Blain	"	"	"	"
Dead	Mrs Jane Shumaker	leert.	"	"	"

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Dismissed 1887	T. J. Hanson	Ch XV, par II	May 6 <sup>th</sup> 1888
"	Mrs. T. J. Hanson	" "	" " "
"	Mrs. Ella C. Miller		Exam <sup>n</sup> Dec <sup>r</sup> . 8 <sup>th</sup> "
Dismissed 1887	Hamilton B. Hickok		" " 9 <sup>th</sup> "
Dismissed	Mrs Anna M. Campbell		" Jan <sup>y</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup> 1889
"	William A. Wilson		Cert. " " "
"	Mrs Mary L. Wilson		" " " "
"	" Mary C. Davidson		" Feb <sup>y</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup> "
"	Bessie F. Davidson		" " " "
"	Mrs Lucie Miller		" " " "
"	" T. W. Hooper		" Mar " "
Dismissed 1890	Kate C. Hooper		" " " "
"	Joseph Hooper		" " " "
Dismissed	William S. Hooper		" " " "
"	Bessie W. Hooper		Exam <sup>n</sup> " 30 "

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## A List of Baptisms.

Mr. India E Gardner	Adult.	17 April 1869
Wm Hooper	Infant	Same
Daniel Montague Junkin	Infant	Same
Willie Miller Guernant	Infant	4 July 1869
Hamilton Shields Wade	"	Same
Lucy Russell Wade	"	Same
Edwin Trig of Wade	"	Same
Leutie M Daniels & Nickols	"	Same
Mary Craig Miller	Infant	18 <sup>th</sup> September 1869
Elizabeth W Stapham	"	10 <sup>th</sup> October 1869
Allen Davidson Lewis	"	Same
Roger Martin	"	17 <sup>th</sup> October 1869
Mr. Mary E Russell	Adult	5 <sup>th</sup> December 1869
Mr. Fannie Rooten	Adult.	5 <sup>th</sup> March 1870.
Edward Barnell Wade		
Kate Taylor Wade	3 Infants	
Mary Wade	3	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1870
Archer Montague	3	
Wm Shields Gardner	3	
Ella Margaret Moir	3 Infants.	
John Alexander Moir	3	5 <sup>th</sup> June 1870.
Mr. Mary Ann Hep	3 Adults.	
Miss Julia Ann Hep.	3	7 <sup>th</sup> April 1871
Mr. Crockett S. Pierce	Adult.	9 <sup>th</sup> April 1871
Miss Lucy A Hobson	3	
Miss Lillie Kyle	3 Adults.	7 <sup>th</sup> July 1872
Mr. R. M. Gardner	3	
Mary Maud Sullivan	Infant.	7 <sup>th</sup> July 1872
Miss Fannie W Lipscombe	Adult.	7 <sup>th</sup> July 1872
Miss Ann McKyle	Adult.	7 <sup>th</sup> April 1872
Robert Edmondson Wade	Infant	21 April 1872

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- Benjamin Mosley Hagan 3 Infants  
 Francis Maria Jenkins 3 6<sup>th</sup> October 1872
- Margt Gifford Servant 3 Infants  
 Constantine Lacy Servant 3 20 October 1872
- Laura Matthews Montague Inf. 27<sup>th</sup> October 1872  
 Samuel Stuart Blair Inf. 20<sup>th</sup> April 1873.  
 Mrs Emma Gibson Adult 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1873.  
 Mrs Susanna Capocy Adult. 25 June 1873.  
 Edward Holt Pearce. Infants 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1873.  
 Arthur Phlegan Holmes 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1873.  
 Edward Heath Servant Infants September 1873 Discovered the 21<sup>st</sup> March 1875.  
 Otway Census Piggatt Infants October 1873  
 Harry Moir 3 Infants  
 Sir Pullator Johnson 11 Jan'y 1874  
 Mary H. White 3  
 Miss Julia Harway adult 1<sup>st</sup> March 1874  
 Mrs Nettie Harway Smith adult 12<sup>th</sup> July 1874  
 George Hobman Gardner Inf. 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1874  
 Saml Boster Jenkins Inf. 11 October 1874  
 Henry Walter Lyle 3  
 John Newton Lyle 3 Infants 15<sup>th</sup> November 1874
- Dis. 15 April 76 Charles Richard Roberts 3 Infants or certificate from  
 " " " Rosa Rosalyn Roberts 3 Blenheim Bay Church.  
 " " " Thomas Algernond Roberts 3 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan'y 1875.  
 Miss Madita Harway Adult 3  
 W. A. J. Robertson " 3 4<sup>th</sup> 1875  
 Margt Mercer Blair Inf. 3  
 Albert B. Walker, Wade Inf. June 1875.  
 Miss Alice Hale Adult July 1875.  
 John Gibson Servant Inf. 29 August 1875  
 Anne Maria Jones Adult.  
 Mary McClanahan Jenkins. Inf. 10 October 1875  
 " 4 Sept. 1876

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Emmaline Gardner Miller	}	Infants
James Archer Miller		Sept-30 <sup>th</sup> 1876.
Fannie Scott Holman	}	Infants
Mary Jordan Holman		Oct 15 1876
Ida A. Crush		
Ida A. Gardner	}	Adults - 14 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1877
H. J. Rogan		
Russell A. Master	}	
John C. Lawrence		
John B. Lawrence		
Lucy O. Barnes		
Harry V. Walters		
Rosa M. Walters		Adults
Bella M. Taylor		
Estelle Harry		8 <sup>th</sup> April 1877.
Thomas J. Gardner		
Ferdinand Harry		
Bertha P. Hobson		
Samuel C. Shelton		
Wm. F. Shelton		
James P. Shelton		
Lindsay J. Haymather		
Orvilla A. E. Lawrence		
Margaret Pigeon		
William C. Plagg		
Joseph A. Radet	}	Adults 29 April 77
Samuel J. Kyle		29 <sup>th</sup> May 1877.
Elizabeth A. Chrisman	15	" " Adults
Anna Jane Wilson	6	May " "
George P. Radford	}	
Mrs Margaret E. Radford		Adults 17 June "

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O. H. P. Cardin  
Sarah E. Hogg.  
Mary T. Lavender  
Cecilia A. Lavender  
Melvina S. Newell  
Robbie M. Newell.



Adults.  
1<sup>st</sup> July 1877

Mr. J. Gurrant.

Adult - 15 July 1877.

Sallie Agnes Hines  
Edw. S. Evans Hines  
George Noble Hines  
Samuel Morris Hines  
Oscar Taylor Hines  
Travis Mathews Hines  
Pettie Miller Woolwine  
Sallie Abaline Gurrant.



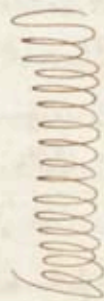
Infants  
29<sup>th</sup> July 1877.

Allan Taylor Estbridge  
Alexander Parker Estbridge  
Shochar Lewis Estbridge



Infants  
5 Aug 1877.

Horace S. Hudgins  
Bettie Hudgins  
Mary A. Hudgins  
Jane Alley  
Cecilia Ann Wainwright  
Elizabeth Akers



Adults  
23<sup>rd</sup> September 1877

Daniel Blain  
Mary McBlung Childress



Infants  
14<sup>th</sup> April 1878

Nannie Bass Montague -

Adult - 12<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1879

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Clara Louisa Saunders	On Certificate	1 <sup>st</sup> January 1880
Eugene Herbert Saunders	"	" " "
Lalette Saunders	"	" " "
Colin Bass Junkin -	Infant	6 <sup>th</sup> April 1879
Sadie Brown Earhart	"	7 <sup>th</sup> Sept "
Robert Waller Blain	"	11 <sup>th</sup> April 1880
Frank Kyle Latimer	"	4 <sup>th</sup> July 1880
Leon Bryan	"	" " "
Robert C. Taylor	"	1 <sup>st</sup> Aug. "
Kate Craig Taylor	"	" " "
James Severus Kent	"	" " "
India McLance Gardner	"	" " "
Minnie Matilda Wade, infant of Rev. & Mrs Chas. A. Miller was	"	5 <sup>th</sup> Sept. "
baptized - - - - -	Sunday	May 12 <sup>th</sup> 1881.
John Richard, infant of Capt. & Mrs J. R. Johnson, baptized, Sunday July 17 <sup>th</sup> 1881		
Charles Irving " " Mr & " C. J. Wade	"	" " " "
Joseph Edie " " " " Hollins	"	" " " "
George " " Capt. " " G. S. Junkin	"	" " " "
Julien Gray Charlton adult	May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1882
Mrs James P. Charlton	Octo. 5 <sup>th</sup>	1882
Tabell Childers infant son of Mrs Mary C. Childers, baptized Sunday Oct. 1 <sup>st</sup> 1882		
Cary Randolph Blain " " Rev. & Mrs Dent Blain	"	" " " "
Evelyn Virginia Charlton <sup>infant</sup> d. of J. & Mary Charlton	"	1882 (Rev. C. A. Miller)
Mellie Rutledge Stephens <sup>infant</sup> d. of Josh & Ida Stephens	"	" " " "
Linn Shelton Adult - Baptized - Sunday July 15 <sup>th</sup> 1883		
Clyde Shelton " " " " " "		
Miss Lilia R. Hurley " " " " " "		
James Montague Wade infant son of Mr & Mrs C. J. Wade - baptized - Sun. July 15 <sup>th</sup> 1883		
Helen Tallant Junkin " daughter " Capt. & Mrs G. S. Junkin " " " "		
G. R. Charlton Adult	Aug. 19 <sup>th</sup> 1883	(Rev. C. A. Miller)



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Mary Ellen Logan	Adult	Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup> 1883
Lucille Claiborne Spindle	"	Octo 14 <sup>th</sup> "

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A list of active coloured members

Said Nov 14 1878

Biddy	on examinations	22 May 1844
Joseph	"	12 September 1850
Patience	"	22nd July 1866

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The following is a list of retired members as made out by the s<sup>rs</sup> on 31<sup>st</sup> July 1879.

<p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 1871</p> <p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 1871</p> <p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. 1874</p> <p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1870</p> <p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Aug 1871</p> <p>Dis<sup>d</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 1873</p>	<p>Mrs Sally Jones</p> <p>Polly Teany</p> <p>Mrs Mary Jane Moore.</p> <p>Mrs Mary Carter</p> <p>John McInerney</p> <p>Wm Nelson Bailey</p> <p>Mrs Fenial Gardner</p> <p>Abraham Rodda</p> <p>Miss Susan Leitch</p> <p>Blackman St Chilton</p> <p>Miss Elizabeth News</p> <p>William Pinter</p> <p>Miss Annistta Grayson</p> <p>Mrs Mary Jennings</p> <p>St. Alexander Casely</p> <p>Miss Susan Chapman</p> <p>James W. Murray</p> <p>Miss Sarah Cunningham</p> <p>Mrs Mary S. Locke</p> <p>Mrs Elizabeth Lawrence</p> <p>Miss Jane Watkins</p> <p>Miss Mary Woodward</p> <p>Wm B. Tucker</p> <p>James W. Peterson</p> <p>Miss Susan Watkins</p> <p>Miss Mary C. Wilson</p> <p>Mrs Narciss M. Moon</p> <p>Miss Della Hagan</p> <p>Mrs. Gabriel Leach</p> <p>Mrs Sarah Crockett</p> <p>Miss Lydia Crockett</p>	<p>Miss Amanda Ashford (Hugh)</p> <p>William Colvered,</p> <p>Miss Eliza Lamberton, Murdock,</p> <p>Mrs Catharine Trigg, (Cooper)</p> <p>Mrs Jane Wainwright</p> <p>Williamson Hunter</p> <p>James H. Gardner</p> <p>Mrs. Devora</p> <p>Thomas E. Sullivan</p> <p>Laura Colvered,</p> <p>Morgan Edwards</p> <p>Miss Ella King</p> <p>Maria Colvered</p> <p>May Shaffer Colvered.</p> <p>Sarah best</p> <p>Louisa best</p> <p>Mrs Margaret F. Bryant Dis<sup>d</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Apr 1872</p> <p>M. H. Locke Dis<sup>d</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1870</p> <p>C. A. Shipley</p> <p>Wm. Leach</p> <p>Miss Mary Lucy Wade</p> <p>Miss Lucy L. Cunningham</p> <p>Mrs Catharine E. Tucker</p> <p>Mrs. Louisa Roucher Dis<sup>d</sup> Dec 1872</p> <p>Mrs. Grace F. Miller (Mitsou) Dis<sup>d</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Mar 1871</p> <p>Miss Jennie R. Cunningham</p> <p>Mrs. Narciss M. Moon (Lucy) Dis<sup>d</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Mar 1871</p> <p>Miss Eliza Elare</p> <p>Mrs. Joseph S. M. Wilson Dis<sup>d</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 74</p> <p>Miss Rebecca Crockett</p> <p>Miss Mary J. B. Crockett Dis<sup>d</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 74</p>
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Retired list continued

Miss Esther Cockett.

Mr. Mary C. Stone.

James C. Cress.

Charles A. Page. Died 24<sup>th</sup> Nov 1877

Dr. Mrs. Mary Edmeston.

Lavinia Peasely

John W. Davidson

Robert Figgat.

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