

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 15, 2012

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 15, 2012, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read. Sister Mildred asked that the minutes be amended to show that although she is now on the bulletin committee in place of Brother Clay, she is assistant to Elder Pat who is the head of this committee. The minutes were amended and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$7,401 in checking and took in \$31,543. We spent \$27,291, giving us an ending balance of \$11,653. As of December 31, 2011, our investment accounts had a total of \$239,260. The report was approved as given.

Correspondence:

Primitive Baptist Foundation -- We received a letter from the Primitive Baptist Foundation requesting that we elect our annual delegates for this meeting. Brothers Clay and Walter have been our delegates in the past, and agreed to do so again this year. A motion was made and passed to accept them as our delegates.

Collaborative Ministries -- We received a thank you note for our donation to the Collaborative Ministries.

Old Business:

Foundation Meeting Host -- We were originally scheduled to host the 2013 Foundation Meeting. The date for us to host has been pushed back to 2015.

Fall Meeting -- The church needs to call someone to preach our 2012 Fall Meeting. We will have a special conference immediately following our Sunday morning worship service on January 29th for this purpose.

New Business:

General upkeep and repair of church -- The church has some painting and repair still in progress. There are no major issues to be addressed at this time.

Committees -- The list of committees was again reviewed. A motion was made to add Sister Kim to the Flower committee and to the Nursery committee, and to add Brother Walter to the Bulletin committee for bulletin printing. It passed.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 29, 2012

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 29, 2012, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$11,652 in checking and took in \$27,118. We spent \$26,348, giving us an ending balance of \$12,422. The report was approved as given.

Foundation Meeting -- Brother Walter gave an update on the Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting.

Obituary -- Brother Wade read the obituary for Elder Huey Glisson

Old Business:

Roof repairs -- The repairs on the church roof have been completed. The painting on the interior of the church has also been completed. The dining room windows are to be scraped and painted.

New Business:

Tree removal -- The tree at the driveway on the left side of the church needs to be removed. The deacons will contact a tree removal service for an estimate. The driveway will have to be repaired, and we are possibly looking at then resurfacing the entire church parking lot.

Tree trimming -- The tree outside the pastor's office has limbs touching the roof, and may need to be trimmed.

50th Anniversary of Music Workshop -- Sister Mildred wanted to encourage members of the congregation to attend all or part of the 50th anniversary of the music workshop if possible. The workshop starts on July 16th, and goes from Monday to Thursday.

Teen Room -- The teen room downstairs is in the process of being fixed up. Blinds are needed for this room. Brother Terry was given the go-ahead to put blinds in this room.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 22, 2012

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 22, 2012, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$12,422 in checking and took in \$21,022. We spent \$25,211, giving us an ending balance of \$8,233. The report was approved as given. As of June 30, 2012, our investment account had a balance of \$231,382. Since June 30, \$10,000 has been transferred from our investment account into our general checking account.

New Business:

Nursery carpet -- The carpet in the nursery is starting to ripple and may need to be stretched.

In Town Community Donations -- The membership was reminded to continue to replenish our donation stock for the community center. Items most needed are pop-top cans of food, socks, and skull caps.

Sound System -- In researching a sound system, a bid came in for \$9,995. The deacons are looking at doing this ourselves for a much lower cost. Brother Merritt and Elder Pat will be looking into this further.

Welcome card for visitors -- The church needs to follow up with those who visit our church. It is important to get names and addresses so that a note or letter can be sent following their visit. Elder Pat will send a letter from the pastor when an address is available. A follow-up note will also be sent from the church. In discussion, it was agreed that each visitor should receive a welcome packet, at which time they will be asked to fill out the address card. It was mentioned that the packets should be available at the front of the church and among the pews. It was suggested that the ushers pull the card from the packet and ask the visitor to fill it out, and should have pens readily available. Brother Merritt volunteered to be a meet-and-greet person at the front door for the month of August. In further discussion -- How could we get a program going to follow up with some of our previous members or attendees to bring them back in? Cards, phone calls, visits, special events?

Nursery -- Sister Susan wanted to encourage everyone to sign up to work the nursery.

With no further discussion, Brother Merritt made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 21, 2012

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 21, 2012, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$8,233 in checking and took in \$28,146. We spent \$24,396, giving us an ending balance of \$11,983. As of September 30, 2012, our investment account had a balance of \$221,742. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Scholarship Fund -- We received a letter from the Primitive Baptist Scholarship Foundation asking that churches set aside Sunday, October 28 as a special offering day for the Scholarship Fund.

Old Business:

Spring Meeting -- Our 2013 Spring Meeting has been set for March 1st - 3rd, with Elder Gary Johnson as our guest preacher.

Sound System -- still pending

Nursery Carpet -- There is a problem with the carpet in the nursery rippling. Brother Todd will talk to someone from Sherwin Williams about stretching or fixing it, as they are the company that installed it.

Tree Removal -- The deacons have an estimate of \$2800 to have two trees on the property taken down. This includes stump-grinding and clean-up. The pavement on the driveway will have to be broken up in this process, which will be at additional cost. It is believed that the contractor will also be able to do this repair at reasonable cost. A motion was made and passed to proceed with the tree removal. A motion was made to give the deacons approval to go ahead with the pavement repair if the cost exceeds \$500. It passed.

New Business:

Elder Pat suggested that the deacons spending limit be lifted or at least raised. However, our by-laws do stipulate a spending limit to be in place. A motion was made and passed to raise the deacons' spending limit to \$5000.

Fall Meeting -- We need to call a preacher to preach our Fall 2013 Meeting. The floor was opened for discussion and nominations. After some discussion those nominated were:

- Mike Newman (7)
- Craig DeLoach (11)
- David Summerford (1)

A motion was made to close nominations. A vote was taken with the Elder Craig DeLoach receiving the majority vote. The dates for our meeting need to be considered. Will Homecoming and the Fall Meeting again be combined? Will we still have a Friday night meeting? Should the Saturday morning

meeting time be moved to 10:30 instead of 11:00? After some discussion it was suggested to separate the Fall Meeting and Homecoming, and to change the time of year for our Homecoming date. A motion was made to have our Homecoming the 3rd weekend in May, as this is close to our constitution date. It passed. This will be May 19th, 2013. Dates for the meeting were discussed. The preferred weekends are September 14th – 15th, or September 21st – 22nd. The Friday night service was discussed. A motion was made to not have a Friday night service starting with our Fall 2013 Meeting. It passed. The later Saturday morning service time was tabled for a future discussion.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 6, 2013

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 6, 2013, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$11,983 in checking and took in \$27,725. We spent \$26,627, giving us an ending balance of \$13,081. As of November 30, 2012, our investment account had a balance of \$221,669. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting -- We received a letter from the Primitive Baptist Foundation asking that the church elect a director and an alternate for the upcoming Foundation Meeting. Brothers Clay and Walter were nominated to continue serving in these positions. A motion was made and passed to elect Brother Clay as director, and Brother Walter as alternate.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- Our 2013 Fall Meeting has been set for September 21st - 22nd, with Elder Craig DeLoach as our guest preacher.

Sound System -- a sound system has been selected and will be installed in mid - late February.

Nursery Carpet -- the carpet has not yet been stretched. John Cunningham is to be contacted to initiate this job.

Tree Removal -- Our preferred contractor for the tree removal, Charlie Perkins, is unexpectedly not currently available, and we will need to find a new contractor. Sister Annette obtained a referral, and Brother Wade will be contacting him immediately. It was suggested to call the Paideia School to see if they would consider contributing to the tree removal and repaving costs, as it would also benefit them.

New Business:

Budget -- It was suggested that the church rework our budget, as a formal budget has not been presented recently. In discussion it was noted that there are not really any obvious areas where we could cut our current budget; but unexpected expenditures could be addressed as to how those extra needed funds would be obtained -- such as through fundraisers, donations, special offerings, etc.

Friday night meeting service -- some would like to discuss the church's previous decision to forgo the Friday night service for our Fall 2013 meeting. Everyone was not happy with the decision to cancel this service. It was suggested that another Sunday service could be added in the afternoon which would still give us four services, even without the Friday night service. After further discussion, a motion was made to reinstate the Friday night service for our Fall 2013 meeting. It passed. Elder Pat will contact Elder DeLoach concerning this change in schedule. It was also suggested that the refreshments on Friday night could be left off, which would keep it from becoming such a late night. The church agreed to have no refreshments after the Friday night service.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 21, 2013

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 21, 2013, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

Obituary -- Brother Wade read the obituary for Sister Virginia Hodgson.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$5,400 in checking and took in \$29,529. We spent \$27,519, giving us an ending balance of \$7,410. A proposed budget for 2013 was passed out for review and discussion. During the second quarter of 2013, \$10,000 was transferred from our investment account to the general checking account. As of March 31, 2013, our investment account had a balance of \$221,983. As of June 30, 2013, our investment account had a balance of \$211,996. There was some discussion concerning ways in which we could possibly increase the return on the investment. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Nursery Carpet -- the stretching of the nursery carpet is still being looked into.

New Business:

Spring Meeting -- The church needs to call someone to preach our 2014 Spring Meeting. We will reconvene in three weeks for this purpose. Members should prayerfully be considering who we would like to call. In considering when we would like to have the meeting, the dates of Mar. 17-28 (pastor's trip), and April 20 (Easter), are not available.

Nursery Sign-up -- Brother Pat encouraged more people to sign up to keep the nursery.

Northside Church -- Brother Clay would like for our church to send a letter to the Northside Church offering to help out in their hosting of the Southern States Bible Conference in July 2014.

Sister Mildred spoke to the church on a personal note.

With no further discussion, Brother Wade adjourned conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 12, 2013

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 12, 2013. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$7,410 in checking and took in \$19,495. We spent \$23,309, giving us an ending balance of \$3,596. As of September 30, 2013, our investment account had a balance of \$212,051. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Northside Church -- We received a letter from the Northside Church thanking us for volunteering our help when they host the Southern States Bible conference next year. They will contact us closer to the conference.

Scholarship Fund Day -- We received a letter asking us to designate Sunday, October 27 as a special offering day for donations to the Primitive Baptist Scholarship Fund.

Old Business:

Nursery Carpet -- the carpet has not yet been stretched. Sister Susan is to get a quote from someone she knows - if he uses the hydraulic type stretcher in his business. After some discussion, it was noted that stretching may not solve the problem, in which case the carpet may need to be replaced with tile.

New Business:

Bylaws -- Some adjustments to our church bylaws need to be made. A copy of the bylaws was passed out to members to review. Any suggestions on rewording or clarifications should be directed to the deacons. A couple of articles are being worked on, along with clarification of the church's definition of marriage. After all adjustments have been made, the members will review and then vote on the amended bylaws. There will be a short conference for this purpose on Sunday November 3, 2013 following our regular church service. After some discussion, a motion was made that our church adopt the 1689 London Baptist Confession of Faith section on marriage as our position on marriage. The motion seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

Attached is a copy of the Church Bylaws with the additions and changes added.

Read over and any changes or comments call the Deacons or Elder Pat McCoy.

We will act on Bylaw Changes November 17, Special Conference.

Changes to the Church Bylaws are in red.

Page 1 Added contents .

Page 1-3 Added Articles of Faith page (Page 2 article 9 added the word "and"

Page 3 article 11 moved the sentence , (of which we consider the King James Translation to be the best

Page 3 article 12 was added and changed from the 1869 London Confession of Faith.)

Page 3 Added Church Covenant

Page 3 Added Corporate Status

Page 4, Admission to Membership item 3 removed and change to: 3. By confession of faith of those whose previous baptism is acceptable and upon receipt of a letter from the church of their membership stating that they are a member in good standing

Page 6 article VIII item 4, \$500.00 changed to \$1,000.00. Changed in conference about one year ago.

Page 6 article VIII Elections item "A" changed.

Page 7 Changed Meetings to quarterly .

Page 7 item G Deacons , words removed.

Page 9, Added modified in special conference November 17, 2013

What are your thoughts and changes?

Deacons

BYLAWS

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

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ARTICLE I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church shall be to bear witness to the Lordship of Jesus Christ for his praise to be accomplished through:

1. Making God known through Jesus Christ and his message of reconciliation;
2. Offering Christian fellowship and concern;
3. Leading people into God's presence in a worshipful community;
4. Providing such education, training and opportunity for service as is necessary for realizing the fullness of Christian Discipleship.
5. Seeking through cooperation with others to extend the kingdom of God throughout the earth; and
6. Endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:3.

ARTICLE II. ARTICLES OF FAITH

We, do, hereby, subscribe to the following declaration of faith.

FIRST: We believe in one true and living God: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; these Three are One, and are harmoniously equal in infinite power, wisdom, justice, holiness, mercy, love, and truth. (1 john 5:7)

SECOND We believe that God created man good, able to stand but liable to fall, and that man fell from this pure estate and brought himself under condemnation and that man is wholly unable to deliver himself from this condition. (I Cor. 15:22; Rom. 3:10; John 6:44 - Read the description of the unregenerate man Rom. 3:10-20; also I Cor. 2:14).

THIRD: We believe that God chose a people unto salvation or eternal life, and that this choice was eternal, particular, and unconditional. (Eph. 1:4-5; John 10:27-29; John 6:39-44; II Tim. 1:9).

FOURTH: We believe that God was in Christ and that, by the sacrifice of Jesus, all whom God chose unto salvation were forever redeemed from the curse of the law and made righteous in Him. (Heb. 2:13-15; Eph. 1:6; Col. 2:10; Rom. 8:29)

FIFTH: We believe that all who were redeemed by the Son will, in time, be effectually called by the Holy Spirit, born again, and made partakers of the Divine nature. (John 6:37; Eph. 2:1; I Cor. 6:14).

SIXTH: We believe that all who are regenerated (effectually called) will be finally saved. Not one can be lost. (John 1:28-29; Psalm 37:28).

SEVENTH: We believe that the bodies of all men will be resurrected from the grave, and that the joys of the righteous will be eternal and that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting. (John 5:28-29).

EIGHTH: We believe that all who are called of God are under obligation to do good works and that in the keeping of His commandments there is a great reward. (Ephesians 2:10).

NINTH: We believe that Baptism **and** the Lord's Supper are ordinances of the church and that believers are the only proper subjects for baptism and that immersion is the only mode, and that none except those who have been regularly baptized are admitted in the communion service. And that the washing the saints' feet is an example of love and humility which should be practiced by the members of our church. (Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12; I Cor. 11:24-29; Acts 8:36-38; John 13:1-17).

TENTH: We believe that the Church is the highest ecclesiastical authority on earth, subject alone unto God for all her acts and that her form of government is congregational, each member having an equal voice in all her acts. (Col. 1:18).

ELEVENTH: We believe the scriptures of the old and new testament to be the inspired Word of God, **(of which we consider the King James Translation to be the best)** and that they alone are to govern God's people, both in faith and practice. (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

TWELFTH: We believe that marriage is to be between one man and one woman; neither is it to be lawful for any man to have more than one wife, nor for any woman to have more than one husband at the same time. We believe all marital relationships, other than that authorized in the scriptures between one man and one woman, to be sinful and against the law of God. (Gen. 2: 24;

Mal. 2:15; Mt. 19:5-6; Lev. 18:1-30; Gen. 2:18; Gen. 1:28; I Cor. 7:2,9; Heb. 13:4; I Tim 4:3; I Cor. 7:39; Neh. 13:25-27; Mk. 6:18; I Cor. 5:1)

We also refer to Chapter 25 of the 1689 London Baptist Confession of Faith for further reference.

ARTICLE III. CHURCH COVENANT

We solemnly promise that we will be faithful in the study of God's Word and in prayer and that we will attend all our Church meetings when possible to do so, and we will labor united and zealously for the Master's cause, and seek at all times His Glory and the advancement of His Kingdom, that we will strive daily to crucify the flesh and live such lives that we may be a light unto the world and show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. We promise that we will ever labor for the peace and fellowship so necessary for the best interest of the Church, making whatever personal sacrifice that may be necessary and that we will lovingly watch over each other for good, and whenever any shall go astray, either in faith or practice, we will kindly lovingly and faithfully seek to save such a one from the error of his way that he may enjoy richly the blessings of God's house and the joy of salvation, and that none of God's children be lost to our cause. We promise to contribute freely and liberal of our carnal things for the support of the Church, and that each give as the Lord has prospered him, that our Ministry may give themselves wholly to the work whereunto God has called them. And for Grace to enable us to so live and labor we do most earnestly pray.

ARTICLE IV CORPORATE STATUS

For convenience in handling legal business matters, this church has been incorporated under the Laws of the State of Georgia as a nonprofit corporation. It is not intended that any of its principles, doctrines, or ordinances as a Primitive Baptist church shall be thereby affected, except as to those matters and things specifically required by the corporate charter or Bylaws. These as hereinafter set forth shall govern and control all matters, actions, and affairs of the church. In order that the church's corporate and non-corporate status may be closely coordinated, officers shall be elected, consisting of President, who shall be the Chairman of Deacons; Vice President, who shall be the Vice Chairman of Deacons. The Deacons are the Trustees; Treasurer, who shall be the church Treasurer.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church, referred to herein as the "Church" shall consist of all persons whose names appear on the Church membership Roll.

All authority of the church is vested in the Church in conference. The authority of all officers of the church is derived from the church in conference, and is subject to it.

A. ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP.

Applications for membership may be received on any one of the following bases:

- 1 After a public profession of faith in Christ, and thereafter upon baptism as expressed in Romans 6:1-6, that is by immersion in water: or
2. Upon receipt of a church letter of dismissal and recommendation from some other church of like faith and order: or

3. By confession of faith of those whose previous baptism is acceptable and upon receipt of a letter from the church of their membership stating that they are a member in good standing.

All applications for membership, as outlined above, whether by profession of faith, by statement, or by letter, shall be received under the watch care of the Church until such time as they are baptized, their Church Letter is received and accepted, or their application is otherwise disposed of by the Church. Candidates shall receive the right hand of welcome at the time of their initial move to membership. Congregational Action on admission to membership will be by unanimous vote of those present and voting.

B. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership may be terminated only in the following manner:

1. Upon death of the member; or
2. Upon issuance of a church letter of dismissal and recommendation for membership in another specific church of like faith and order; or
3. Upon a member's joining a church of another denomination, or
4. Upon withdrawal of fellowship by the church from a member as provided by the Holy Scriptures and more particularly in Mathew 18:15-17, I Corinthians 5, Luke 17:3 and Ephesians 5:11.

- Action on any of the above shall be by vote of the church in conference as provided herein.

VOTING OF MEMBERS.

On any matter coming before the church for its determination, each member present shall be entitled to one vote which shall be exercised in person and not by proxy unless otherwise provided; and all such matters shall be determined at a regular or special conference of the church held in accordance with these bylaws. Such determinations shall be made by a vote of a majority of the members present and voting.

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS.

1. Pastor
2. Deacons
3. Chairman of Deacons
4. Vice-Chairman of Deacons
5. Secretary or Clerk
6. Treasurer
7. Assistant Treasurer
8. Moderator
9. Assistant Moderator
10. Parliamentarian (The presiding officer at any meeting may, at his discretion, appoint a parliamentarian to advise him on parliamentary procedure.)

ARTICLE VII. DEACONS

A. THE DEACONS. The deacons under the authority of the church in conference shall administer the business affairs.

B. MEMBERSHIP OF THE DEACONS. The Deacons shall consist of the present Deacons as shown by the records of the church and of such additional Deacons as the church may hereafter elect as such.

C. QUALIFICATIONS OF A DEACON. A Deacon shall be a member of the Church in good standing and who has the qualifications for a deacon as set forth in the spirit of Acts 6:3 and I Timothy 3:8-13, and such other qualifications as the church may from time to time prescribe.

D. MEETINGS AND QUORUM. The deacons shall meet regularly at such time and place as they may determine. The Chairman of the Deacons, the Pastor, or a majority of the active deacons may call special meetings by giving notice thereof to each active deacon. A majority of the active Deacons shall constitute a quorum, and a majority vote of the active deacons present at any meeting held in accordance herewith (and at which a quorum is present) shall be sufficient to decide on any matter before the deacons for consideration.

E. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEACONS. Except as hereinafter provided, the deacons shall:

1. Recommend to the church in conference such policies, practices and procedures, as they deem advisable.

2. Together with the Pastor, shall implement and give direction to all such policies, practices and procedures as shall be voted by the Church in conference.

3. As herein authorized by the church, shall administer the business and secular affairs of the church; and, to the extent provided for in these bylaws and vested in them by the church, the deacons shall have full authority to do and perform all things reasonably necessary in connection therewith.

4. Prior to the end of each fiscal year, the deacons shall cause to be prepared and submitted to the church a budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The budget shall include estimates as to the anticipated liabilities, cost and expenses of conducting the affairs of the Church during such year and an estimate of the total amount of the anticipated gifts of the church during each year for benevolence, denominational activity, etc. The church shall adopt the annual budget. Unusual or large expenditures not stated in the budget and exceeding **\$1,000.00** will require approval of the church. The deacons shall not have power to borrow money or sell or encumber any real estate belonging to the church unless the church in accordance with these bylaws authorizes such transaction.

5. The board of deacons may establish such committees as they see fit and affix their duties as they may from time to time prescribe.

F. TERMS OF OFFICE. The deacons shall serve for life as long as they remain members of this church unless they are removed for cause or placed on emeritus status by the church.

ARTICLE VIII. ELECTIONS

A. A Pastor shall be chosen and called by the church **to serve on indefinite basis until pastor or church feels the need of a change.**

B. The pastor to be called shall be selected in the following manner:
(For Pastoral calls a majority means 75% of those voting.)

1. At a pastoral call conference, opportunity will first be given for prayer and discussion of the subject of calling a pastor.
 2. Next, a vote will be taken to determine if the church is ready to proceed with a call. If the vote is less than a majority the conference will be dismissed after another opportunity for prayer and discussion.
 3. If a vote is to proceed, voice recommendations will be taken for pastor from the floor. No member shall speak for longer than one minute about the same candidate.
 4. A secret ballot vote will be taken as provided by the deacons.
 5. If a minister receives a majority of votes he will be considered the one who is called. A vote of acclamation and support for the called minister will be taken.
 6. (a) If no minister receives a majority of votes, a secret ballot will be taken of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes.
(b) If no minister receives a majority of votes, it will be considered that the church is not of a united spiritual mind. After another period of prayer and discussion, the conference will be dismissed and the church urged to seek further guidance through prayer on the issue.
 7. Another call conference will be set at the discretion of the pastor and deacons. At this conference the same procedure will follow. As many call conferences as are necessary will be set until the mind of the church is together and expressed by a majority vote for the minister.
- C. All pastoral call conferences shall be announced to the church at least one week prior to the said conference.
- D. The pastor shall not preside at any call conference even though he may have been elected as the moderator for the fiscal year.
- E. A notice shall be mailed to the membership at least one week prior to the FIRST call each year. If the first annual call is not successful then subsequent calls for that year need not be announced by mailed notice but the time and date thereof shall be announced to the church at the unsuccessful call or in a regular Church Meeting.

F. ABSENTEE BALLOTS. Absentee Ballots will not be considered.

G. DEACONS. Selection of new deacons shall be by secret ballot in conference.

H. All other Church positions excepting those specifically provided for in these bylaws shall be elected by the church at the July conference each year for the term of one year. The Church in conference as needed shall fill vacant positions.

ARTICLE IX. MEETINGS.

A. Regular conference of this church shall be held **Quarterly**, beginning January unless otherwise agreed.

B. Special conferences may be called by two or more Deacons, the Pastor and one or more of the Deacons, or by someone designated by them to do so, by announcement at least one week prior to the date set for the same and at all regular services until conference is held. Only the specific business for which the conference was called will be transacted at a special conference. Special conferences of an urgent nature may be called by majority consent of the Deacons any time.

Admissions for membership shall be handled as set forth in ARTICLE III.
Section A. Admission to membership.

C. The Deacons shall hold their meetings at such time and place as they may determine.

D. The Church shall annually select a moderator to preside over conference for the ensuing year unless otherwise provided for herein. Such Moderator may be the Pastor or any Deacon. In the absence of the Moderator or the Assistant Moderator, a moderator will be chosen by the congregation.

E. In the absence of specific rules governing parliamentary procedure not covered by these bylaws, "Roberts Rules of Order" shall apply.

F. Regular worship services shall consist of Sunday morning preaching preceded by Sunday morning Bible Study. Fellowship meetings shall be set up at times convenient to the pastor and members, either at night or during the day.

ARTICLE X. QUORUM

The members of the church present at any regular or special conference duly called and announced shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI. CHURCH STAFF

The Deacons and the Pastor will direct the work of the Church staff.

Personnel may be employed by the Pastor or Deacons upon recommendation and authorization from the Church in conference.

ARTICLE XII. GENERAL

A. General duties of all personnel and general procedures for operation of the Church business shall be detailed in the "Policies and Procedures Manual" that is approved by the Church.

B. Matters pertaining to vacations, sick leave, holidays, fringe benefits, shall be detailed in the "Policies and Procedures Manual"

ARTICLE XIII. COMMITTEES

A. A nominating committee composed of seven members shall propose to the membership the names of persons to serve in various capacities and positions of the Church and shall contact, prior to nomination, all persons proposed for Church positions. Ex-officio members of the Nominating Committee shall be the Pastor and the Chairman of the Deacons. The remaining five members shall be appointed by the Church in conference.

B. Standing Committees shall be elected by the members upon recommendation of the Nominating Committee, to assist in specific functions of the Church.

C. Special Committees may be appointed to fulfill a specific purpose by the Pastor, the Deacons, or the Church. Such special committees shall be dissolved when their specific task is accomplished and in no event shall their term be for longer than one year.

ARTICLE XIV. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of those voting, there being a quorum present as hereinbefore provided, at any regular or duly called conference of the Church, provided, however, that notice of any proposed amendment and the form of the amendment have been published and given to the members two weeks prior to the meeting at which said proposed amendment is to be presented.

ARTICLE XV. EFFECTIVE DATE

The foregoing Church Bylaws, upon adoption by the Church in conference at which a quorum is present shall become effective immediately, and shall supersede any other set of bylaws, which may have been previously adopted.

ADOPTED IN SPECIAL CONFERENCE

May 23, 1979

MODIFIED IN SPECIAL CONFERENCE

April 6, 1986

MODIFIED IN SPECIAL CONFERENCE
July 17, 1988
MODIFIED IN SPECIAL CONFERENCE
November 17, 2013

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 12, 2014

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 12, 2014, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference and a special conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$3,596 in checking and took in \$32,657. We spent \$28,814, giving us an ending balance of \$7,440. Repair & Maintenance was well above budget due to a last minute accumulated bill. It was suggested that anyone we do business with be required to bill us monthly or by the job, which allows us to better assess our spending in relation to our budget. As of December 31, 2013, our investment account had a balance of \$212,685. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting -- We received a letter from the Primitive Baptist Foundation asking that the church elect a director and an alternate for the upcoming Foundation Meeting in April. Brothers Clay and Walter volunteered to continue serving in these positions. A motion was made and passed to elect Brother Clay as director, and Brother Walter as alternate.

Old Business:

Nursery Carpet -- the carpet has been stretched, and appears to be in good condition.

Church Bylaws -- The revised church bylaws were adopted in our November Special Conference.

New Business:

Fall Meeting -- The church will have a special conference in two weeks to call someone to preach our 2014 Fall Meeting. The church needs to be prayerfully considering the preacher to call for this meeting.

Water in Kitchen -- Water has been coming into the kitchen after rainfall. The problem appears to be the drain pipes not being large enough to handle large volumes of rain. It was suggested to have Al look at this and make recommendations to solve this problem.

Church Dumpster -- Brother Merritt suggested that the church look into getting its own dumpster rather than have members hauling off large numbers of large bags of leaves. Paideia has a dumpster and has offered to allow us to use it for a small number of trash bags. Brother Todd also suggested that a roll-off dumpster could be used just during the peak fall months. Brother Wade will follow up with Paideia, and the deacons will check into the cost of our own dumpster.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
April 13, 2014

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 13, 2014, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$7,440 in checking and took in \$23,926. We spent \$23,586, giving us an ending balance of \$7,780. As of March 31, 2014, our investment account had a balance of \$211,695. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Camp Hillview -- We received a letter from Camp Hillview giving registration details and information for anyone wishing to attend camp this year. This information will be posted on the bulletin board.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- Elder Keith Hamilton has accepted our invitation to preach our 2014 Fall Meeting for the dates of September 26-28.

Water in the kitchen -- the water in the kitchen still needs to be addressed. It was noted that the problem began after installation of the ramp. It was suggested that the ramp be removed, and another installed at the lower side door. This and other possible solutions will be considered.

New Business:

Spring Meeting -- As per a special conference in January, Elder Emerson Proctor will be invited to preach our 2015 Spring Meeting. However, the church needs to decide on a time frame in which we would like to have the meeting. After some discussion, the weekends of March 20-22, and March 27-29 were chosen, with March 20-22 being our preferred weekend. A motion was made and passed to request these dates.

Church Pews -- On several of the pews, the material is tearing apart due to constant sun exposure, and need to be repaired or replaced. It was suggested that we may need to come up with something that will protect the ends of the pews from sun exposure. As for the repair of those already damaged, it was suggested to first contact the company that provided the material to see if we have any recourse. Brother Wade will contact Brother Clay regarding the records from this company so that they may be contacted.

Brother Pat spoke briefly to the membership on the subject of being filled with the Spirit.

Communion -- There was some discussion on our Thursday night communion as to whether it should be moved to another time, or possibly adding another service during the day on Easter. It is possible that an additional communion service will be offered at some point on Easter morning if needed.

Cason Family -- Sister Dale suggested that since our membership is so spread out, that we look into having a meal provided or catered to the Cason Family by a restaurant that is close to where they will be during this time. She will contact a member of the family to find out the necessary details should the church provide a meal in this manner.

With no further discussion, Brother Todd made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

July 20, 2014

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 20, 2014, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$7,780 in checking and took in \$22,746. We spent \$24,113, giving us an ending balance of \$6,413. As of June 30, 2014, our investment account had a balance of \$209,413. During this period, \$5000 was transferred from our investment account to the general checking account. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Water in kitchen -- Modifications have been made to prevent water from getting into the kitchen, and appear to be working. The gutters have also been cleaned out.

Pews -- The Roswell Seating Company will be contacted shortly to have a representative come out and assess the pew material.

New Business:

Spring Meeting -- Elder Proctor has accepted our invitation to preach our Spring Meeting. Dates are to be confirmed.

Transfer Request -- We received a request from the Statesboro Primitive Baptist church for a letter of transfer for Brother Mark Simms. A vote was taken was taken to grant a letter of transfer as a member in good standing for Brother Mark. All agreed, and a letter will be sent.

Nominating Committee -- A nominating committee needs to be formed to appoint officers and committees for 2015. The deacons volunteered to act as our nominating committee. The activities committee also needs to meet with Elder Pat to coordinate events for next year.

Visitors -- Brother Merritt requested a back-up person to make sure contact information is obtained from visitors to the church. A motion was made and passed to appoint Brother Todd as back-up.

An update was also given on the young family with a child needing heart surgeries. The Church will continue to be in prayer.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
January 18, 2015

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 18, 2015, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator.

Obituary:

Brother Curtis Lynn -- the obituary for Brother Curtis Lynn was read.

Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

A quorum was not present; therefore a vote of acclamation was taken to move forward with conference.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$9,454 in checking and took in \$42,447. We spent \$29,162, giving us an ending balance of \$22,739. The treasurer went over our 2014 budget totals. We ended the year about \$5000 under our proposed budget. As of December 31, 2014, our investment account had a balance of \$205,107. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Membership -- Sister Mary Hudgins has requested to be placed back on the active membership roll. A motion was made and seconded to add Sister Mary to our active membership roll. It passed.

Pews -- The deacons are still researching options to repair and protect the pew material - some being to replace with the same fabric and install new window panes, or to use a different fabric on the pews. All options and costs are being assessed.

Stump grinding -- Quotes need to be obtained for removing the asphalt so that the stump can be ground, and also for repaving the driveway.

Spring Meeting -- Elder Proctor has accepted our invitation to preach our Spring Meeting. This will be April 10-12, 2015.

New Business:

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting -- We received a letter from the Primitive Baptist Foundation asking that the church elect a director and an alternate for the upcoming Foundation

Meeting in April. Brothers Clay and Walter volunteered to continue serving in these positions. A motion was made and passed to elect Brother Clay as director, and Brother Walter as alternate. Our church is hosting the Foundation Meeting, which is April 20-21, and will need to provide food for lunch and supper on Monday, and for lunch on Tuesday. A committee was formed to organize the food preparation.

Fall Meeting — The church needs to call a preacher for our 2015 Fall Meeting. The floor was opened for nominations. Those nominated were:

Elder Dean Robbins	8	
Elder Mike Newman	3	9
Elder Tyler Campbell	3	6

A motion was made to cease nominations. It was seconded and passed. A vote was taken. With the majority of votes, Elder Dean Robbins will be invited to preach our 2015 Fall Meeting. A vote was then taken for an alternate, with Elder Newman being elected. If Elder Robbins is unable to accept, the invitation will be extended to Elder Newman, and Elder Robbins will be invited to preach our 2016 Spring Meeting. A motion was then made to invite Elder Newman to preach our 2016 Spring Meeting if Elder Robbins will be preaching our 2015 Fall Meeting. It was seconded and passed. The church would prefer the dates of Sept. 11-13, or Sept. 18-20.

Church officers -- The nominating committee to elect officers for the church still needs to meet.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

May 3, 2015

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on May 3, 2015, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$22,739 in checking and took in \$19,126. We spent \$26,061, giving us an ending balance of \$15,804. As of April 30, 2015, our investment account had a balance of \$208,022. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Mount Olive Primitive Baptist Church -- We received a letter from the Mount Olive church announcing that Brother Marty Mullis has been licensed to preach.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- the Fall Meeting dates are possibly conflicting with an event in Atlanta on the same weekend. Brother Pat will check on this and change our meeting date if needed.

Stump Grinding -- The deacons will get more quotes for paving the entire parking lot. They have a quote of \$13,500 just to repave the side drive. If anyone knows of a good contractor for this job, please let the deacons know. The Paideia School has said that they would make a donation toward the repaving.

Pews & Windows -- a solution for the pew material breaking down is still being researched. It was suggested to call Georgia Power for possible window tinting related to their energy conservation program.

Nursery Attendant -- The church has a budgeted amount set aside to pay a nursery attendant if needed. After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to table this item for now.

New Business:

Foundation Meeting -- Brothers Walter and Clay expressed the appreciation to our church of all who attended the Foundation Meeting.

Spring Meeting -- We need to decide on the dates for our Spring Meeting. The church would like to have the meeting April 1-3, or April 8-10, 2016. Brother Pat will check the Atlanta schedule for festival dates to make sure there are no conflicts.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk



Our statement on marriage in the Articles of Faith, # 12 as follows:

TWELFTH: We believe that marriage is to be between one natural born man and one natural born woman. We believe it to be unlawful for any man to have more than one wife, or for any woman to have more than one husband at the same time. We believe all marital relationships, other than that authorized in the scriptures between one man and one woman, to be sinful and against the law of God. (Genesis 2: 24; Malachi 2:15; Matthew 19:5-6; Leviticus 18:1-30; Genesis 2:18; Genesis 1:28; I Corinthians 7:2,9; Hebrews 13:4; I Timothy 4:3; I Corinthians 7:39; Nehemiah 13:25-27; Mark 6:18; I Corinthians 5:1)

We also refer to Chapter 25 of the 1689 London Baptist Confession of Faith for further reference.

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
January 10, 2016

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 10, 2016, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$7,508 in checking and took in \$42,743. We spent \$26,049, giving us an ending balance of \$24,202. As of December 31, 2015, our investment account had a balance of \$210,546. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting -- We received a letter requesting the election of a Director and an Alternate for the Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting. Brothers Clay and Walter, respectively, have agreed to continue in these roles.

Old Business:

Maintenance and Repairs -- The deacons have been in discussion with Brother Al concerning needed repairs, and he is in the process of proceeding with the repairs. Concerning the blinds for the windows, Brother Al says all 10 blinds will need to be purchased at the same time for uniformity, and that he will also need to install all 10 blinds at the same time, rather than installing the one for the church to preview first.

New Business:

Paideia Garden -- The Paideia School would like to lease the grassy area behind the church parking lot for \$3000 per year, pending their grant approval, to plant a vegetable garden. This is a project which they expect to last for 3-5 years. The church would have the option annually to renew their lease. They would also be responsible for removing the trees in this area. After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to lease this area to the Paideia School.

Deacon nomination -- The deacons have had discussion, and would like to nominate Brother Walter Daniel for the office of Deacon. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to elect Brother Walter to the office of Deacon. Brother Pat will look into the date for his ordination.

Fall Meeting -- The church needs to elect a preacher for our Fall Meeting. The floor was opened for discussion, with Elders Steve Taylor, Vernon Eckleberry, and Mike Awalt mentioned. The floor was then opened for nominations in which Elders Steve Taylor and Mike

Awalt were nominated. The floor was closed for nominations, and a vote was taken with Elder Steve Taylor receiving the majority. Elder Taylor will be asked to preach our Fall Meeting. If Elder Taylor accepts for the fall, Elder Awalt will be asked to preach our Spring 2017 Meeting. The church would prefer the dates of September 16-18 or September 23-25 for the Fall meeting, and the dates of March 24-26 or March 31-April 2 for the Spring meeting.

Nursery Attendant -- Sister Susan stated that she would like for the church to begin looking for a nursery attendant. It was noted that the church has already budgeted for this expense, and if anyone has any recommendations for the position of nursery attendant, please let one of the deacons know.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
April 17, 2016

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 17, 2016, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$24,203 in checking and took in \$20,330. We spent \$26,243, giving us an ending balance of \$18,290. As of March 31, 2016, our investment account had a balance of \$214,534. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Deacon Ordination -- Brother Walter was ordained as deacon on March 12, 2016.

Fall Meeting -- Brother Steve Taylor has accepted our invitation to preach our 2016 Fall Meeting on the weekend of September 16th -18th. In addition to a letter being sent, Elder Pat will contact Elder Awalt concerning our 2017 Spring Meeting.

Paideia Garden -- In an earlier conference, we had voted to lease a portion of our yard to Paideia to be used for a garden. However, Paideia did not receive the grant they needed to pursue this project.

Nursery Attendant -- The church has not yet found a nursery attendant.

Blinds -- All window measurements have been taken, and the blinds are ready to be ordered. Sister Susan suggested another option for possible consideration. Plantation shutters could be installed for \$500 per window. There are a total of 10 windows, and it was suggested that individual families could purchase a window. After some discussion, Brother Merritt summarized our four options: 1) \$9000 to redo the pews 2) \$5000 to install plantation shutters 3) \$1000 to install blinds, or 4) put throws on the ends of the pews that need it at around \$20 per throw. Following further discussion, the question was asked if the church wants to continue with the blind installation which had previously been voted on, which stipulated all ten blinds being installed at once. A motion was made to detract the decision to install the blinds, and to open the floor for new discussion on all options available. It was seconded and passed. After some discussion a motion was made to install one blind for the congregation to preview before making a final decision. It was seconded and passed.

New Business:

Maintenance regarding the gutters and roof -- The church has some issues regarding the gutters and roof, and we have water coming in some places. Brother Al will be looking into the issues we have for future discussion on actions to be taken. The deacons will take care of this as needed.

Food Pantry -- The church has received a proposition from Intown Ministries concerning a food pantry. They would like to have access to the downstairs area of our church for food distribution and storage. They state they will pay for any upgrades needed for this project. They would be distributing food on Saturdays, with food donation drop-offs occurring during appointed weekdays. They would also have office space which would be occupied throughout the week. There will be some cooking and meals served. Does the church want to become involved in this ministry? The floor was opened for discussion and questions. After some discussion, Elder Cason made a motion to participate in this proposal, contingent upon fact finding, explored by the deacons, being acceptable to the church in order to move forward. It was seconded and passed. The deacons will contact the insurance company and others that would be involved in making needed upgrades.

Wi-Fi -- The aforementioned proposal would require us to obtain Wi-Fi in our church building. However, the church is in need of Wi-Fi regardless of the final outcome of that proposal. The deacons will contact Comcast to inquire about this service.

Copy Machine -- Sister Kathy mentioned that the church is in need of a new copy machine. It was agreed that it is needed, and will be purchased.

With no further discussion, Brother Todd made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 17, 2016

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 17, 2016, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$21,908 in checking and took in \$22,987. We spent \$27,837, giving us an ending balance of \$17,058. As of June 30, 2016, our investment account had a balance of \$218,204. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Church Wi-Fi -- Wi-Fi has been installed in the church building.

Copy Machine -- A copy machine has been purchased for the church office.

Food Pantry -- After further research, the deacons have determined that the proposition to use our church for a food pantry site would not be in the best interest of the church. Brother Cason would like to rescind his previous motion to participate in the food pantry project. The church will be looking for other opportunities to serve in the community.

Spring Meeting -- Brother Awalt has agreed to preach our 2017 Spring Meeting for the weekend of March 31-April 2.

Blinds -- After previewing the installed blind on the back window, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to install the remaining blinds. The total cost will be \$760.

Maintenance -- Some of the church's maintenance issues have already been addressed. However, the leak in the roof is still pending repair.

New Business:

Bible Conference -- Our church has been asked to help host the 2017 Bible Conference along with Ramah Church. A motion was made to help host the conference. It was seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn conference. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 16, 2016

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 16, 2016, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$17,058 in checking and took in \$20,580. We spent \$12,402, giving us an ending balance of \$25,236. As of September 30, 2016, our investment account had a balance of \$219,087. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Church Roof -- the leaks in the church roof have been repaired.

New Business:

Committee Position Openings -- The church needs volunteers to fill the positions of Building Committee Chairman (as Brother Todd is stepping down) and Camp Delegate (as Brother Max has resigned). After some discussion, Brother Al was suggested for the Building Committee Chairman position. Brother Al agreed to fill this position. The Camp Delegate has a meeting in September each year that they are to attend. There were no volunteers at this time; therefore this is tabled until the next conference. Elder Pat mentioned that he is in the process of getting the church directory ready for next year, and anyone wishing to step down from a committee position needs to let him know.

Bible Conference 2017 -- The Bible Conference is scheduled for July 10 – July 13, 2017. Everyone is encouraged to attend, and also to volunteer to work in needed areas. Those on the Bible Conference Committee are: Walter Daniel, Merritt and Dale Spier, Clay and Francis Coburn, and Pat McCoy.

Assistance to others -- In providing assistance to those who come to our church asking for help, the deacons have discussed perhaps changing the way in which the church administers help. It was suggested that rather than individuals giving to those who come in, those individuals give to the church weekly or monthly, designating the money for a benevolence fund which will be used to help people needing assistance. The floor was opened for discussion. A motion was made that any benevolence will be given through the deacons, and those wishing to contribute may do so through a designated offering. It passed.

School Breakfast Program -- Sister Kim asked if the church would like to donate to their school Breakfast Program again this year. Last year the church gave \$250 toward this program. A motion was made to make a donation to this program. It passed.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
January 15, 2017

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 15, 2017, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$12,402 in checking and took in \$33,695. We spent \$24,301, giving us an ending balance of \$21,796. As of December 31, 2016, our investment account had a balance of \$214,184. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Spring Meeting -- As a reminder, our 2017 Spring Meeting will be March 31- April 2 with Elder Mike Awalt as our guest preacher.

Fall Meeting -- Our 2017 Fall Meeting will be September 8-10, with Elder Lee Price as our guest preacher.

Bible Conference Committee -- Brother Pat would like to meet with the Bible Conference committee today after conference.

Camp Delegate -- The church still needs a volunteer for the position of Camp Delegate. Brother Morris and Sister Teresa volunteered to fill this position for 2017.

Banner Herald -- Banner Herald subscriptions are now due. Please see Brother Ramon to if you need to pay for your subscription.

New Business:

Foundation Meeting -- The Primitive Baptist Foundation needs a delegate and alternate from our church for the upcoming meeting. Brother Clay volunteered to be our delegate and Brother Walter volunteered to be our alternate. A motion was made and passed to appoint them to these positions.

Bible Conference -- The Bible Conference committee will need approval for funds to spend on needed supplies. It was agreed that they could operate under the deacon's pre-approved amount.

Food Pantry Bags -- Sister Teresa suggested that the church have an appointed Sunday each month for which to bring in the food pantry bags. It was decided that the church will set aside the 1st Sunday of every month to have the pantry bags in. It was also mentioned that Sister Kim's school also has a food pantry that church members may donate to if they wish.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
April 9, 2017

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 9, 2017, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$21,796 in checking and took in \$25,249. We spent \$26,795, giving us an ending balance of \$20,250. As of February 28, 2017, our investment account had a balance of \$216,330. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Family of Annette Feil -- A letter, which included a donation, from the family of Sister Annette Feil was read to the church.

Old Business:

Spring Meeting -- Our Spring Meeting was cancelled due to the bridge collapse in Atlanta, therefore Elder Mike Awalt has agreed to preach our 2018 Spring Meeting. The church will look at the dates next Spring and determine when will be the best time to have our meeting. We will try to avoid the weekend during the Festival in Atlanta.

New Business:

Licensing -- Elder Pat came before the church expressing his desire to have Brother Wade Bowers licensed to preach the gospel. Brother Wade then spoke to the congregation. Elder Cason made a motion to license Brother Wade to preach the gospel for a period of one year. Brother Ramon seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

Homecoming -- A definite date has not been set for the church's homecoming this year. A motion was made to have homecoming on May 7th. It passed.

Nursery Attendant -- Ryan, our current nursery attendant, will be moving some time in May. It was suggested that the church give her a love offering, possibly on our homecoming Sunday at lunch. Anyone wishing to donate to this offering can give this to Brother Ramon.

With no further discussion, Brother Mark made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

March, 6, 2017

Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church

In Memory of: Our Mom & Your Sister in Christ (Annette Feil)

Dear Members,

To begin with, we as a family can never express to Mom's church family how important each and every one of you both past and present were in Mom's life. Mom gained her emotional strength not only from her immediate family but equally as much from her church family. Even more important in Mom's life was her spiritual strength which no doubt came from her faith and her ever present church family.

I cannot recall a time in our daily conversations and weekly visits when Mom did not bring up something about her friends at church. She especially enjoyed bringing up the antics of Brother Pat and how they liked to pick on each other. On occasion she would tell me that in a way I reminded her of Brother Pat. Knowing that I could never begin to fill his shoes, I realized when I met him at Mom's service that it had to be the fact that we had the same hair stylist in common & both wore glasses and sported a beard. In my case, I used to tease mom and tell her that my beard was to hide all the ugly. Mom being the type reassuring person she was would always tell me something to the contrary in a positive manner.

I recall that as Mom's sight started to fail more in the last several months, that we knew we had to try to find a phone with a bigger screen in order for her to screen her calls. As I started going through the church directory and her address book to determine who she

wanted assigned to the 10 speed dial positions, I immediately knew that we were going to have a problem. There were nowhere near enough positions to put all her church friends. It became apparent to me going into this that Ann Motes and Peggy Cunningham would occupy Speed Dial #1 and #2. I honestly believe the only reason that Larry, Suzie and I were able to get three of the positions was in case of an emergency.

On a more serious note, words cannot begin to express how much we as a family appreciate the love and support that her church family has shown to her over the last 50 plus years. Mom was constantly telling one of us that she put us on the prayer list. I used to tease her and tell her "Mom, I'm going to have to quit telling everything. There are some things that may be wrong with one of us that we might not want prayed out loud over & with that I would just laugh at her. Somehow we knew if we told mom about a problem that it would wind up on the prayer list & the resolution would be much sooner than had she not intervened.

We appreciate all that came to her service and especially appreciate the music and Brother Pat's down to earth celebration of Mom's life. I had more than one person tell me how much they enjoyed hearing the service and especially from someone that knew the family and shared real life experiences with all. In closing, Mom had it understood that she wanted to give some financial token of appreciation when she passed. With that, Larry, Susie and I are also participating in a token of love in memory of our Mom.

In closing, I feel certain that Suzie and Larry have already reached out to ya'll and shared their thoughts as well. In writing this, I would like for all to know that Norma shares in these thoughts as well and there

could not have been a more loving bond between a mother-in-law and a daughter-in-law than they had. For this, I feel truly blessed!

In the name of Christ we send our love and best wishes for all,

Norma & Bobby Feil and in behalf of Suzie & Danny Hankins and Larry Feil

Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church

1367 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30306

April 12, 2017

Enon Primitive Baptist Church
Gay, GA. 30218

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During our recent church conference Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church voted to license Brother Wade Bowers to preach the Gospel. We recommend him to our Sister churches.

Brother Wade's contact info is as follows:

Wade Bowers
85 Shelley Lane
Sharpsburg, GA 30277
Phone: (678) 378-4871
E-Mail: wadebowers.ij@gmail.com

Brother Wade covets an interest in your prayers as God leads him forward in His service.

Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church



Sister Angela Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 16, 2017

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 16, 2017, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$20,250 in checking and took in \$19,698. We spent \$27,729, giving us an ending balance of \$12,219. The budget for 2017 was also presented. As of June 30, 2017, our investment account had a balance of \$221,543. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Spring Meeting -- Brother Mike Awalt will be preaching our 2018 Spring Meeting. He has indicated that he will be available for the weekends of March 2-4 or March 9-11. A motion was made to request the weekend of March 2-4. It passed.

New Business:

Homecoming -- the date of October 8, 2017 has been proposed for our church homecoming. That is a conference Sunday, and a covered dish lunch is already planned. A motion was made, seconded and passed to set October 8, 2017 as our church homecoming.

Fall Meeting sharing -- Brother Harris from the Northside church has suggested sharing and alternating our fall meetings. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded and passed to continue our fall meetings in our usual manner.

Fall Meeting 2018 -- the membership needs to be considering a preacher to call for our 2018 Fall Meeting which will be voted on in our next conference.

Bible Study Literature -- Bible study literature for the home and church study needs to be decided on. Members were asked to go over the list Brother Pat had given out and let him know their preference for our next study.

Plumbing issues -- The deacons feel that the church's plumbing fixtures need to be repaired or replaced. This will fall under their discretionary budget.

Gutters -- The church gutters need to be repaired or replaced. The deacons will get an estimate on the cost to do this. Brother Todd made a motion to extend the deacon's discretionary spending on this project in order to move forward with work on the gutters. It passed.

Nursery Attendant -- the church needs to find a new nursery attendant. Anyone who knows of someone for this position, please let the deacons know. It was suggested that we could possibly reach out to a nearby church that has early services to see if someone would be available. It was also suggested that Bobby Mason's nurse might know of someone.

Kitchen -- the end cabinet near the back door in the kitchen needs to be checked out for water damage.

Activities Committee -- the activities committee needs to meet before our October conference.

Ministers School -- the Ministers School needs someone to host their meeting in February. Would our church be interested in hosting? The Riverside church is volunteering. After some discussion it was decided that our church would not host the Ministers school.

Bible Conference -- Brother Cason thanked the church for sending them to the Bible Conference. Brother Walter thanked everyone for work done in the hosting of this conference.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 8, 2017

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 8, 2017, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$12,219 in checking and took in \$21,799. We spent \$27,653, giving us an ending balance of \$6,365. Due to the low balance in our checking account, we will need to transfer money from savings for some upcoming bills. As of September 30, 2017, our investment account had a balance of \$223,567. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

2018 Spring Meeting -- the Spring Meeting has been set for March 2-March 4, 2018.

Nursery Attendant -- We currently have a nursery attendant who is able to be here for two Sundays each month.

Church Repairs -- the gutters are in the process of being repaired.

New Business:

DMI Delegate -- A volunteer is needed to be our DMI delegate for the annual meeting. This meeting will be at Ramah Church on October 28, 2017. If no one volunteers, a proxy will need to be sent in. Brother Walter Daniel volunteered.

Scholarship Sunday -- Scholarship Sunday will be on October 22 this year.

2018 Fall Meeting -- We need to decide on a preacher to preach our 2018 Fall Meeting. The floor was opened for discussion and/or nominations. After some discussion, those nominated were Elder Dean Robbins and Elder Mike McGrady. With no further nominations, the floor was closed, and a vote was taken with Elder Mike McGrady receiving the majority of votes. Elder McGrady will be invited to preach our Fall Meeting, and Elder Robbins will be invited to preach our 2019 Spring Meeting.

Fire Extinguishers -- The fire extinguishers in the church need to be replaced. The deacons will take care of this.

DMI trip -- The DMI will be taking a group to the Ukraine in November. Any donations would be appreciated.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 7, 2018

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 7, 2018, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$6,365 in checking and took in \$42,981. We spent \$26,594, giving us an ending balance of \$22,752. As of December 31, 2017, our investment account had a balance of \$224,196. The church did not have to make the anticipated transfer of funds from our investment account into our checking account. Our investment account is in the process of being moved from Morgan Stanley to Merrill Lynch. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Foundation Meeting Delegate -- The church needs to appoint a director and an alternate for the Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting in April. Brothers Clay and Walter have volunteered to be our delegate and alternate respectively. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to appoint them as our delegates.

Lighthouse Foundation Meeting -- The Annual Lighthouse Foundation Meeting is to be held January 20 at the Statesboro Primitive Baptist Church. The meeting is open for anyone wishing to attend.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- Our Fall Meeting has been set for September 7-9, 2018, with Elder Mike McGrady as our guest preacher.

Fire Extinguishers -- The fire extinguishers in the church have been replaced.

Gutters -- An update was given on the gutters, and they are still in the process of being repaired.

New Business:

Banner Herald -- Subscriptions to the Banner Herald are now due. The price is \$16.50 for one year.

Door Stop -- It was brought to the church's attention that a door stop at one of the side doors needs to be made more visible to avoid someone tripping on it. The deacons will look into this.

Bulletins -- Sister Lattie has volunteered to contact people and send them bulletins when they are unable to be at church. A motion was made and passed to provide Sister Lattie with stamps for this purpose.

Bathroom -- The urinal in the upstairs men's restroom doesn't always stop and needs to be looked at for possible repair or replacement. The deacons will look into this.

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

April 8, 2018

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 8, 2018, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat McCoy as moderator. Brother Pat offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$22,734 in checking and took in \$20,511. We spent \$33,808, giving us an ending balance of \$9,437. A transfer will need to be made from our investment account to our checking account to help cover repair expenses that are being incurred. The transfer of our investment account to Merrill Lynch is now complete, and as of March 31, 2018, our investment account had a balance of \$222,288. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Statesboro Primitive Baptist Church -- We received a letter from the Statesboro church with information on the Southern States Bible Conference in July, which they are hosting. This will be the 100th session of the conference, and they are asking for pictures from previous conferences to be included in a program that will be presented.

Old Business:

Gutters -- the gutters are still in the process of being repaired, but the work is nearing completion. The replacement of some bad wood has caused a lot of the cost increase. In discussing church repairs, Brother Al was asked to check the toilets for any needed repairs.

Doorstop -- The doorstop at the side door has been fixed.

Bulletins -- Sister Lattie is sending out bulletins to those who miss services, and Brother Clay will also start posting our bulletin on the church website.

New Business:

Stump Removal -- the stump in the church driveway needs to be removed, and estimates will be obtained for the cost of removal.

Licentiate -- Brother Wade has been a licentiate and preaching since last April. A motion was made and seconded to relicense Brother Wade to preach for another year. It passed.

Video Equipment -- there has been some discussion on moving the church video equipment to the back of the church in a more permanent setup, and adding another projector. The cost of the equipment would be around \$2000, with the cost of wiring to be added. A motion was made to proceed with getting the audiovisual equipment needed. It passed.

McClendon Trust -- The bank is looking to distribute some of the money from the McClendon Trust to bring it down to a level that would allow them to distribute the remainder and close it out. The church needs to present the bank with an itemized list of the repairs being made on the gutters and elsewhere, and of the audiovisual equipment that will be purchased.

Security -- It was suggested that the church should start having a deacon sit at the back of the church for security purposes. The church also needs to make sure that the kitchen door downstairs is locked during our services. From a seminar he attended, Brother Merritt suggested that the church have a written security plan, and also to consider security cameras in the church. The deacons, Brother Pat, and Brother Merritt will get together and work on a written security plan, and also research security cameras for our church.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

CHURCH HISTORY
1922 - 1998 76 YEARS - Constituted
1958 - 1998 -- 40 YEARS - Present Building

CONSTITUTION: ANGELA BOWERS, CLERK

The constitution of the Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church was consummated on Wednesday night, **May 9, 1922**, by a small group, assembled in the Majestic Hotel on Peachtree Street. The Presbytery consisted of Elders George D. Godard and Walter M. Blackwell.

1. The Moderator asked for the Articles of Faith and on which they wish to be constituted.
2. The resolution was stated and covenant was read and signed by all.

COVENENT OF THE ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA –

RESOLUTION: ANGELA BOWERS, CLERK

In as much as Christ, Our Savior has established a church here on earth, composed of baptized believers who are to keep house for God, and are, of all men, to be the light of the world, lifting up a standard to the people, the banner of King Emanuel, contending for truth and righteousness, and, in as much as He has ordained that churches should be established wherever his people are found, and that they should not forsake the assembling of themselves together for public service, and feeling that we, can better serve Him, and further His cause, by a Church organization in Atlanta, FULTON County,

THEREFORE, We, the undersigned believers in Jesus and members of the Church of God, called Primitive Baptist, have this day May 9, 1922 been regularly constituted as a local Church Organization to be known as the Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church, and we have subscribed to the following Covenant and General Principles of Faith;

COVENANT : DEACON WADE BOWERS

We solemnly promise that we will be faithful in the study of God's Word and in prayer and that we will attend all our Church meetings when possible to do so, and we will labor united and zealously for the Master's cause, and seek at all times His Glory and the advancement of His Kingdom, that we will strive daily to crucify the flesh and live such lives that we may be a light unto the world and show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

We promise that we will ever labor for the peace and fellowship so necessary for the best interest of the Church, making whatever personal sacrifice that may be necessary and that we will lovingly watch over each other for good, and whenever any shall go astray, either in faith or practice, we will kindly lovingly and faithfully seek to save such a one from the error of his way that he may enjoy richly the blessings of God's house and the joy of salvation, and that none of God's children be lost to our cause.

We promise to contribute freely and liberal of our carnal things for the support of the Church, and that each give as the Lord has prospered him, that our Ministry may give themselves wholly to the work whereunto God has called them.

And for Grace to enable us to so live and labor we do most earnestly pray.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: **SISTER DALE SPIER**

May 9, 1923, the Church met at the time stated for the celebration of her first anniversary. Dr. W. W. Harden read a poem composed by him and made a very appropriate talk.

POEM BY DR. W.W. HARDEN-

In thankfulness and gladsome praise,
Our first Birthday we celebrate.
May Holy Light through future days,
Our every step illuminate.

We need the Holy Spirit's light,
To shine within us and around,
To guide our faltering footsteps right,
To make our love the more abound.

We need God's matchless, sovereign grace,
As well, to keep us in the way,
As first to make us see His face,
Or lift us from the miry clay.

May His rich grace and Spirit's power,
As through life's journey we press on,
Abound, abide, and be felt each hour,
While closer each to each is drawn.

But let us know that many harms,
Through fires that burn, through storms that blow,
Through Satan's snares, and earthly charms,
Shall e'er beset us as we go.

We'll march with courage, strength, and joy,
Through all the perils and the woes;
For nothing can our peace annoy,
Where hearts are warm and friendship grows.

Together let us live in love,
In union there is strength and health,
Let's praise our Lord, who holds above,
Our mansions of most glorious wealth.

HOSTED 23RD SESSION OF THE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST BIBLE CONFERENCE.
DEACON WALTER DANIEL

On **August 29, 30, and 31, 1941**, the Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church, assisted by our sister church Glazener Memorial Church, entertained the Twenty -Third Session of the Primitive Baptist Bible Conference. These sessions were held in the Tech High School (Henry Grady) Auditorium. The meals were served by the Jennings Tearoom on Boulevard. God wonderfully blessed us in songs, prayers and speaking. About thirty ministers and probably eight or nine hundred people attended this conference; and God's blessings were much in evidence. Thank God for His goodness to poor unworthy sinners. Sister Lorena Howard, clerk

The expense of the Bible Conference was \$1,497.70, Glazener Church \$25.00, Glazener Ladies Circle \$14.00, Atlanta Church and Friends \$565.43, and Atlanta Ladies Circle \$100.00.

A NEW BEGINNING: **SISTER KIM BOEMAN**

On the fifth Sunday in **August 31, 1958** the Atlanta Primitive Baptist met for the last Service in the building at 766 Boulevard N. E. The location had been our meeting place since November 1922, six months after the organization of the Church. It was built of lumber from the dissembling of buildings at old Camp Gordon and was meant to be only a temporary building.

The first service in the New Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church was held at 10:00 A. M. on Thanksgiving Day November 1958. It was a cold day and the Church building was not completed, we had no power for lights or gas for heat, and every one had to keep their coats on.

December 14, 1958 Sunday morning, the first sermon preached in the new church was Psalms 24: 9-10, by Elder V. F. Agan.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

Sunday January 11, 1959 Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church dedication of our new building at 1367 Ponce de Leon Avenue. It was a glorious day. God was truly good to us in many ways.

PASTOR:

Now, today, **May 20, 2018** we celebrate our 95th year. We also celebrate 60 years in this house of worship.

May God continue to uphold us, guide and direct us. May we continue to be the light of the world, lifting up a standard to the people, the banner of King Emanuel, contending for truth and righteousness.

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 15, 2018

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 15, 2018, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat McCoy as moderator. Brother Pat offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$9,537 in checking and took in \$30,690. We spent \$29,406, giving us an ending balance of \$10,821. A transfer of \$10,000 was made from our investment account to our checking account to cover recent repair expenses. As of June 30, 2018, our investment account had a balance of \$213,576. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Gutters -- the work on the gutters should be complete.

Stump Removal -- There are no estimates yet on the cost of stump removal. Estimates will also be obtained for removing the large tree in the back, and for paving our parking lot.

Audio/Visual Equipment -- A new overhead projector has been purchased, with the rest of the equipment to be purchased at a later date.

McClendon Trust -- the church is in the process of getting together the needed information for the bank.

Security Plan -- the security plan for the church is still in process.

New Business:

Work Day -- the church needs to have a work day for the overgrowth outside. A date to have the work day will be announced soon.

Online Offering -- it was suggested that the church look into having an online method of making tithes and offerings. In discussion, Zelle was mentioned as a possible option.

Church Credit Card -- it was suggested that the church obtain a credit card (with a low credit line) since many business transactions permit or require online payment. A motion was made to authorize Brother Ramon to open a card under the church's name. It was seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, Brother Clay made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

**ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
CONFERENCE AGENDA
JULY 15, 2018**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. MINUTES

III. TREASURERS REPORT

IV. CORRESPONDENCE—

VI. COMMITTEE RERPORTS— DEACONS

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. GUTTERS

2. STUMP REMOVAL- PRICES

3. VFIDEO EQUIPMENT

A. OVERHEAD PROJECTOR PURCHASED

4. MCLENDON TRUST—

5. SECURITY

A. PLAN??

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

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ADJOURN:

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 7, 2018

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 7, 2018, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$10,757 in checking and took in \$24,758. We spent \$25,370, giving us an ending balance of \$10,145. As of September 30, 2018, our investment account had a balance of \$213,875. The reports were approved as given.

New Business:

Air Conditioner -- a part has been ordered for the air conditioning unit to fix the damage caused by a lightning strike.

Lawn Mower Storage -- the lawn mower for the church is not being stored properly in the church building. The deacons have discussed getting a lawn maintenance service to keep the grounds so that the lawn mower can be removed from the building. The deacons will discuss this further, look into other options, and make the appropriate changes.

Fall Meeting -- We need to call a preacher for our 2019 Fall Meeting. The floor was opened for nominations. Those nominated were Elders Steve Pierce and Kurt Bacon. A motion was made to cease nominations. It passed. A motion was made to invite the one with the most votes to preach our Fall Meeting, and to ask the other to preach our Spring 2020 meeting. It was seconded and passed. A vote was taken with Elder Kurt Bacon receiving the most votes. Elder Kurt will be invited to preach our Fall 2019 meeting during the month of September (1st or 2nd weekend), and Elder Steve will be invited to preach our Spring 2020 meeting during the month of March (1st or 2nd weekend).

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 13, 2019

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 13, 2019, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$10,145 in checking and took in \$37,266. We spent \$27,941, giving us an ending balance of \$19,470. As of December 31, 2018, our investment account had a balance of \$210,374. The reports were approved as given. Brother Walter has spoken with the trustee of the McClendon trust, who informed him that some laws have changed, making it possible for them to go ahead and liquidate the trust and issue payment. This will possibly be done some time this year.

Old Business:

Meeting dates -- Elder Kurt Bacon will be preaching our Fall 2019 meeting during the weekend of September 6, 7, and 8. Elder Steve Pierce will be preaching our Spring 2020 meeting during the weekend of March 6, 7, and 8.

Heating/Air -- the heating and air system has been replaced.

Gutters -- Progress is being made on the gutters, and work should be completed soon.

Sound system -- the church is moving forward on acquiring equipment for the sound system.

Parking Lot -- the deacons are in the process of getting estimates on paving the church parking lot. The goal is to have this work done during the summer months.

New Business:

Inactive Deacon -- Brother Clay has requested to be put on inactive status as a deacon. The deacons would like to plan something to honor him.

Camp Hillview delegate -- The church needs to elect delegates for Camp Hillview and for the annual DMI meeting in September. Brother Morris and Sister Teresa stated they are supposed to be our delegates for Camp Hillview, but have received no communication. The church will contact Linda Crosby to update this information. Sister Mary was nominated to be our DMI delegate. A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint her as our DMI delegate.

In response to the aforementioned inactive status of Brother Clay, a motion was made to make Brother Clay an honorary deacon. It was seconded and passed.

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
April 7, 2019

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on April 7, 2019, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat McCoy as moderator. Brother Pat offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$19,470 in checking and took in \$31,520. We spent \$41,544, giving us an ending balance of \$9,446. As of March 31, 2019, our investment account had a balance of \$221,190. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Gutters -- the repair of the gutters has been completed.

Sound System -- The sound system is still in progress. We may get a second projector, and are looking at wireless speakers.

Parking lot -- Two estimates have been obtained for the paving of the parking lot, and a third is pending before a final decision is made. So far, we are looking at a cost of between \$30,000 and \$45,000.

New Business:

Nursery attendant -- Rachel Robinson just got married in February, and it was suggested that the church might want to give a wedding gift. A motion was made to send a gift from the church of \$200. It was seconded and passed.

Brother Clay -- The deacons will get together and discuss doing something to honor Brother Clay.

Brother Cason expressed his thanks on behalf of his son, Brian, for the church's generous donation.

With no further discussion, Brother Todd made a motion to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 13, 2019

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 13, 2019, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat McCoy as moderator. Brother Pat offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$9,446 in checking and took in \$24,382. We spent \$29,644, giving us an ending balance of \$4,184. As of June 30, 2019, our investment account had a balance of \$224,831. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Sound System -- The second projector has been purchased, and wireless speakers for the back of the church are being looked into.

Parking Lot -- All three estimates are in for the paving of the parking lot. The Deacons are currently having discussions with Commercial Pavement Services concerning our parking lot. The trees and stumps will have to be removed before anything else can be started, and the deacons are working on getting estimates for that. The estimate for the parking lot repaving includes the build-up and repair of a few areas, and crack fill and seal, and striping. Paideia has agreed to pay \$15,000 toward the pavement repair cost, which is around \$27,000, and they will pay \$3,000 toward the crack fill and seal, which is around \$12,000 - \$13,000. The cost for the tree removal will probably be around \$3000 - \$5000. Funds will have to be transferred from our investment account to cover the costs. However, the church should be receiving around \$30,000 from the McClendon Trust when all paperwork and legalities have been completed, which will help offset the cost of the parking lot repairs.

Brother Clay -- Something still needs to be planned to honor Brother Clay.

New Business:

Bible Conference -- Northside is hosting the Bible Conference in 2 years, and has asked for our help in hosting. A motion was made to assist Northside with the Conference. It was seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

October 6, 2019

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 6, 2019, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat McCoy as moderator. Brother Pat offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$4,184 in checking and took in \$33,819. We spent \$27,948, giving us an ending balance of \$10,055. A transfer was made from our investment account to our checking account to help cover repair expenses. As of September 30, 2019, our investment account had a balance of \$219,211. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Parking Lot -- The cost of taking down the trees would be \$4000. The city denied the removal of the big pine. The alternate plan is to take down the sweet gum and leave the pine, which will involve removing the paving and landscaping around it, which will also result in losing a few parking spaces. Updated estimates will be obtained.

Brother Clay -- The deacons are looking into getting a plaque made for Brother Clay.

Activities for 2020 -- The Activities committee has met and finalized our activities for next year.

New Business:

Brother Wade -- Elder Pat would like to begin the process of calling for the ordination of Brother Wade, and will set a date for examination if the church agrees. A motion was made to proceed with the ordination and examination of Brother Wade. It was seconded and passed.

Fall Meeting 2020 & Spring Meeting 2021 -- The church needs to call preachers to preach our Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 meetings. The floor was opened for nomination. Those mentioned were Elders Ben Fordham, Sam Bennett, and Walt DeLoach. The floor was closed for nominations and a vote taken. Elders Bennett and Fordham had the most votes. Elder Sam Bennett will be asked to preach our Fall 2020 Meeting during the dates of September 11-13, or September 18-20. Elder Ben Fordham will be asked to preach our Spring 2021 Meeting during the dates of March 5-7, or March 12-14.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

January 12, 2020

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 12, 2020, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade Bowers as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$10,055 in checking and took in \$64,059. We spent \$58,473, giving us an ending balance of \$15,641. These amounts include money received from the McClendon Trust, and then invested. As of December 31, 2019, our investment account had a balance of \$266,882. This amount includes the invested McClendon Trust money, and a donation of \$11,000 in stock which will be sold and deposited into the general checking account. The reports were approved as given.

Correspondence:

Music Workshop 2020 -- We received a letter announcing the date for the Music Workshop which will be July 14-17, 2020 at Camp Hillview. The Music Workshop Teen Retreat will be held February 28-March 1, 2020 at Camp Hillview. Information will be posted on the bulletin board for those interested. Thank You Note -- a thank you note was received from Brother Reid Daunhauer for the church's donation. Unfortunately the note was received after his passing.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- Brother Sam Bennett has accepted our invitation to preach our 2020 Fall Meeting for the dates of September 18th-20th. As for our 2021 Spring Meeting, we have not yet heard back from Brother Ben Fordham.

Parking Lot -- The paving of the parking lot will probably be during the 1st week in April. Due to the complications, the deacons have decided to leave the trees as they are.

New Business:

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting -- The Primitive Baptist Foundation needs our church to elect a director and an alternate for the annual meeting in April. Brother Clay has agreed to be the director, and Brother Walter has agreed to be the alternate. A motion was made and passed to appoint them to these positions.

Roof -- the roof of the church has a leak, and the deacons will be getting estimates for this repair.

Security -- The deacons have discussed some security measures for our church and have decided that all doors will be locked shortly after service begins. Brother Merritt suggested that the church come up with a more detailed and comprehensive security plan, and has information from the Sheriff's Dept. concerning measures that can be taken. A motion was made to make this information available to the deacons for review and discussion on implementing a defensive plan (to include free carry of firearms on the premises). The motion was seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the church did not hold the quarterly April 2020 conference.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the church did not hold the quarterly July 2020 conference.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the church did not hold the quarterly October 2020 conference.

The church did not hold the quarterly April 2021 conference.

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
January 6, 2021

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 6, 2021 via virtual meeting with Zoom. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$15,641 in checking and took in \$152,681. We spent \$132,088, giving us an ending balance of \$36,234. As of December 30, 2020, our investment account had a balance of \$247,508. For the parking lot repair, \$20,000 was taken from the investment account and moved to the general checking. Also, stocks that the church received were sold, and \$11,800 was transferred to the general checking account. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Meetings -- Due to Covid-19, our Fall Meeting had been moved to March 19-21 with Elder Sam Bennett as our guest preacher. As Covid cases are once again on the rise, the church discussed moving the meeting to the Fall if we are able to have it at that time. After further discussion, a motion was made to put off the meeting to a tentative date to be determined as circumstances allow.

New Business:

Returning to church in person -- the church is currently holding Sunday worship services virtually via Zoom due to Covid-19. When should the church resume meeting in person. After some discussion, it was decided that the decision to return will be made on a week-to-week basis depending on the current pandemic situation at the time.

Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting Delegates -- The church needs to appoint delegates for the 2021 Primitive Baptist Foundation Meeting. Brother Clay volunteered to be the delegate, and Brother Walter volunteered to be our alternate. A motion was made and passed to appoint Brothers Clay and Walter to these positions.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
July 11, 2021

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on July 11, 2021, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$32,294 in checking and took in \$23,234. We spent \$23,125, giving us an ending balance of \$32,403. As of June 30, 2021, our investment account had a balance of \$250,307. The reports were approved as given.

Obituaries: -- Sister Dale read the obituaries for Sister Mary Dunn and Sister Genie Irvin.

Old Business:

Fall Meeting -- Our Fall Meeting has been set for September 17-19, 2021 with Elder Sam Bennett as our guest preacher. Some discussion was had on the possibility of not meeting on Friday nights, and just having our meeting services on Saturday and Sunday. A motion was made to have future meeting services on Saturdays and Sundays only. It was seconded and passed.

New Business:

Spring Meeting 2022 -- The church needs to call a preacher to preach our Spring 2022 meeting. The church was asked to be in prayer for this meeting, and we will call a special conference in the next few weeks to call a preacher for our Spring Meeting.

Work Day -- It is time for the church to have a work day. The work day needs to be set before our Fall Meeting. After some discussion, August 21 was agreed upon by everyone as the date for our work day.

Gutter Cleaning -- The gutter drains need to be cleaned. A deacon will contact Paideia about using the cleaning service they use.

Window Blinds -- One of the front window blinds in the office is broken and needs to be replaced. Sister Ann will pick up a replacement.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
October 31, 2021

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on October 31, 2021, following the morning worship service and lunch. The church was called into conference with Brother Wade as moderator. Brother Wade offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$32,403 in checking and took in \$35,109. We spent \$29,486, giving us an ending balance of \$38,026. As of September 30, 2021, our investment account had a balance of \$251,209. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Gutters -- Brother Mark has found a service to clean the gutters, and this will be scheduled soon. The quote to clean the gutters is \$1000.

Spring Meeting/Homecoming 2022 -- The deacons will talk to Brother Clay about updating our church history for our Homecoming celebration. Elders Scott Riner and Lee Price will be preaching on Saturday, and Elders Pat McCoy and Jim Cason will be preaching on Sunday during this meeting. The dates are set for April 30th and May 1st.

New Business:

Fall Meeting 2022 -- The dates for our Fall Meeting with Elder Sam Bennett which was rescheduled due to Covid are set for September 17th-18th.

Church maintenance -- There are some items that need to be addressed concerning the maintenance of the church. The nursery windows need to be repaired as the paint is peeling. The deacons are going to do a walk-thru of the church to assess any other problems that need to be addressed.

Dining Room Tables -- It has been suggested that the rectangle tables in the dining room be replaced with round tables. A motion was made to purchase the round tables and appropriate chairs to replace our current tables in the dining room, with the old tables being donated. It was seconded and passed.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk

ATLANTA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
January 19, 2022

REGULAR CONFERENCE

The Atlanta Primitive Baptist Church met in regular conference on January 19, 2022 via Zoom. The church was called into conference with Elder Pat as moderator. Brother Morris offered prayer.

The minutes of the previous conference were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given. We began the period with \$38,026 in checking and took in \$46,220. We spent \$24,581, giving us an ending balance of \$59,665. As of December 31, 2021, our investment account had a balance of \$248,980. The reports were approved as given.

Old Business:

Gutters -- The gutters are schedule to be cleaned on January 26, 2022.

Spring Meeting/Homecoming 2022 -- Brother Clay is in the process of updating our church history for this event.

Church maintenance -- After a walk-through of the interior and exterior of the church, the deacons came up with an extensive list of maintenance and repair projects that need to be addressed. The deacons will have a meeting to discuss these issues.

Dining Room Tables -- Brother Pat is checking on prices for the new dining room tables.

New Business:

Spring Meeting/Homecoming -- The committee needs to begin planning for this event. It was suggested to begin with a Zoom meeting on a Sunday afternoon. Sister Dale asked that anyone who is able to get previous members' current addresses to please do so.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn. It passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Bowers, Clerk