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closed by our pastor
Eld Lamon Shepard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ia.

Aug. 14, 1992
3rd pm

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold regular
conference, this being the first ^{meeting} day of
Annual meeting.

Preaching services were opened by singing
hymn #364 and prayer ^{being} offered by Eld. Lay Park
followed with preaching by Lientrat - Gen
Smith. ~~followed~~ next Eld C. L. (Buck) Wood &

Entered into conference by singing hymn #411
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats with
us and to offer aid and counsel if needed.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for reception of members any-
way the Gospel permits.

3rd Reference. Motion was made, seconded and
agreed by the church to take up Annual corres-
pondence. Send delegates to ^{Annual Conference} Annual Meeting
4th Aug. Unity - Bro. Jay & Sis Maxine

4th Aug Damascus

1st Dist. Concord - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine
Pate

2nd Sept Refuge - Bro Jay & Sis. Maxine Pate

3rd Sept Rocky Creek - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate

4th Acknowledgments - None

5th Business (Older New) - None

If there is no further business and all
things are relieved motion made seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes read amended if need be
And conference ^{adjourn} closed in order and
to meet back Sat morn at 10

Moderator - Eld Loma Sheppard

Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ia
Aug. 15, 1992

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold annual conference on the second day of her annual meeting.

Preaching services were opened by singing hymn¹²³ prayer by Eld Charles Dixon, followed by Eld Dwight Martin followed by Eld Denver Hollingsworth and closed by our pastor Eld L. Sheppard. Dismissed approximately one hour for lunch. Reassembled for annual conference by singing hymn⁶. The church having met last evening for regular conference and taking care of regular business.

1st Invited all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith² order to seats with us and to offer aid as counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the gospel directs.

3rd Reference Motion made seconded and agreed by the church to take up annual correspondence from our sister churches.

I like precious faith and order and
received the following reports

- 1 Spring Hill Bro. Paul Brett & wife (Fri pm)
- 2 Unity Bro Jim Andlin & others (Fri. pm)
- 3 Cat Creek - Bro Ralph Niles
- 4 Concord - Bro. Herbert Howell and others
- 5 Indian Creek - Bro. J. M. Massey gave the report
- 6 Mt Paron - Bro. Ralph Withenington & others
- 7 New Friendship - Bro. Leo Courson & others
- 8 Old 2y 2y - Bro Denny Patton & others
- 9 Old Valley Grove - Bro. Andrew Walsh & others
- 10 Longbridge - Bro C. B. Nash & others
- 11 Prospect - Bro Laman Robinson & others
- 12 Refuge - Bro. Ira Lee & others
- 13 Rocky Creek - Bro. J. T. Morse & others
- 14 Salton - Eld. Dwight Marshall & others
- 15 Sardis - Bro. Homer Eldridge & others
- 16 Bethlehem - Bro. Gay Pate - stated we are at

peace and we appreciate all the visitors
and love them for coming to see us.

A move was made, seconded and agreed by the church to receive the verbal reports the delegates and the visiting brethren and sisters, by the moderator followed by the church giving them the right hand of church fellowship. After this had been completed, the pastor inquired of the church if they knew of any reason why they could not enter into communion service on tomorrow. Answer None

The pastor then inquired if the elements would be ready. Answer will be

A move was made, seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minutes of the day read amended if need be and conference closed in order and to meet back tomorrow

Moderator - Eld. Leman Steppard

Church Clerk - Sis. Mary Steppard

Aug. 14, 1892

Brs. J. M. Massey and Sis. Alberta Massey came forward with letters asking to join Bethlehem. By move, seconded and agreed unanimously by the church

to receive Bro & Sis Marney in full
fellowship and as an ordained
deacon and deaconess. They were
given the right hand of church
fellowship.

Sis Mary Shepper - Church Clerk

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill
Sept. 19, 1992

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met this evening to hold Monthly Conference.

After singing several hymns, preaching services were opened by singing hymn #192 prayer and preaching by Eld ~~Lamar~~ ~~Shep~~ Wendell Horton followed and closed by our pastor Eld L. Sheppard. Entered into conference by singing hymn #75

1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members any way the gospel permits

3rd Reference - Standing reference - Motion made, seconded and agreed by the church to take up standing reference - sending delegates to sister church's annual meeting 4th Sept. Sardis - Bro Jay & Sis

Maryine Pate - Bro. J. M. & Sis Bertie
Massey

2nd October - Springfield - Bro. J. Pate
Sis. Irene McFarland & Bro. J. M. Massey

From last month. Bro. & Sis. Alberta
Massey came forward on Sunday
Aug. 16, 1992 bearing letters and
asking for a home at Bethlehem.
They were received unanimously by
the church in full fellowship and
Bro. J. M. Massey as an ordained
deacon. The letters were read
by the clerk. A motion was made
seconded and agreed by the church
to accept the letters. The church
gave them the right hand of church.

4th Acknowledgments - None
5th Business (Old or New) - None

6th If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion, made seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes of the day read, amended if need be
and conference closed in order

Moderator - Eld. Lamar Shippard
Church Clerk - Sis. Mary Shippard

By our pastor.

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill.
Oct. 17, 1992

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference.

After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 3, prayer & preaching by Eld. Lamon Sheppard followed by Eld. Geo. Dickinson & closed. Entered into conference by singing hymn # 10.

1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters & like precious faith and order to seat with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the gospel permits.

3rd Experience - None

4th Acknowledgement - None

5th Business (Old or New) - This being call time - motion, made, second and agreed unanimously by the church to call Bro. Sheppard for another year. Being present Eld. B. Sheppard accepted. Also the clerk renewed for another year.

If there is no further business
and all minds are relieved motion
made, seconded and agreed by the
church to hear the minutes of the
day read, amended if need be and
Conference closed in order.

Moderator - Bro. Eld. Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis. Mary Sheppard

L. Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill.

Nov. 14, 1892

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns, preaching services were opened with song prayer & preaching by ~~Rev~~ Lientiate Laman Robinson followed and closed by our pastor Eld.

Entered into conference by singing hymn 4
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members
Any way the gospel permits

3rd Reference - None

4th Acknowledgments - None

5th Business (Old or New) - None

If there is no further business and all minds are relieved motion made seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minutes of the day read & amended if need be and conference closed in order
Moderator - Eld. Laman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Mrs Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill.
Dec. 19, 1992

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold monthly con-
ference. After singing several hymns
preaching services were opened with prayer
and preaching by Eld Charles Tyson, followed
* closed by our pastor Eld. R. Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 75
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats with us
and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor make it known the doors of the church
are opened for the reception of members anywhere
the gospel directs.

3rd Reference - None

4th Acknowledgment - None

5th Business (Old or New) \$51.50 wheat from Bro Beard
Nov. 28 - 7.

A thank you card from the family of
Bro John L Beard who died Nov 28 - was
read. a donation from for \$51.50
from the Lindsay family reunion

If there is no further business and all minds
are relieved motion well, seconded and agreed
by the church to hear the minutes of the day

read amended if need be and conference
closed in order.

Moderator E. L. R. Sheppard
Church Clerk Sir M. Sheppard

17 - Sat

17 Jan.

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Lenox, Ill.

Jan. 16, 1993

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several songs preaching services were opened with prayer and preaching by Eld Leman Sheppard and closed by same.

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 75
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members any way the gospel directs

3rd Reference - None

4th Acknowledgments - None

5th Business (Older New) - None

If there is no further business and all minds are relieved motion made seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minute of the day read amended if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Leman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis. Mary Sheppard

A quote was presented to have ^{the job} done for
~~\$200.00~~ ~~Another~~ Also an amount to the L room
for an additional \$400.00. we will discuss it
and decide later whether to have Cook Co.
it done or not!

Lenox, Ga

Feb. 20, 1993

Becklehem P.B. Church has met for divine
worship and to hold monthly conference.
After singing several hymns preaching service
was opened by singing hymn #171 prayer
and preaching by Eld Bob Dickerson followed
+ Closed by our pastor Eld. Lamar Sheppard
Entered into conference by singing hymn #3
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats with us
and to offer aid and counsel if need be.
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for the reception of members
anyway the gospel directs
3rd Reference - None
4th Acknowledgements - None
5th Business (Older New) - Eld Sheppard gave a
report about putting vinyl siding on the chuch.
6th If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion made
seconded and agreed by the church to
hear the minutes of the day read amended
if need be and conference closed in order.
Moderator: Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk: Sis. Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill
March 20, 1993

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching service was opened by singing hymn #3 Prayer & preaching by our pastor Eld Laman Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn #285
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if needed.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the gospel dwells.

3rd Reference - Motion was made, seconded and agreed by the church to take up standing reference sending delegate to sister churches annual meetings:

1st April - Carl Creek - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate
1st " Ben James? Sis Irene McFarland

2nd April - Mt. Barn - Bro. Jay & Sis Maxine Pate
Sis Irene McFarland - Bro J. M. & Sis Beita Macey

4th Acknowledgements: None

5th Business (Old or New) - A motion was made and seconded and agreed by the church to contact

Mr Smith from Albany to put wings
siding on the church

If there is no further business and
all minds are relieved, motion made
seconded and agreed by the church
to hear the minutes of the day read
amended if need be and conference
closed in order.

Moderator: - Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk: Sis Mary Sheppard

Closed by our pastor

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill.
April 17, 1993

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 453, prayer & preaching by our pastor Eld Leman Sheppard followed by Licentiate Leman Robinson and Entered into conference by singing hymn # 338

- 1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid & counsel if need be
- 2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of mem- bers anyway the gospel directs
- 3rd Reference - Move, made, seconded and agreed by church to take up standing reference. Send delegates to sister church annual meeting
- 4th April Salem - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate Bro & Sis. Massey
- 1st May - Long Bridge - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate - Bro J. M. & Sis Beata Massey
- 2nd May - New Friendship - Bro & Sis Pate Bro & Sis Massey
- 3rd May - Indian Creek - Bro Jay Pate
try to go Fri night.

4. Acknowledgments - None
5th Business (Old or New) - None

6. If there is no further business and all
matters are referred motion made, seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes of the day read, amended if needed be
and conference closed in order.

Moderator Eld Leman Sheppard
Church Clerk Ser Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ia

May 15, 1993

Beekleken P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 397 Prayer & preaching by our pastor Eld Laman Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 75

1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members any way the gospel directs

3rd Reference Take up standing reference. Motion made & seconded & agreed by church to appoint delegate to sister churches annual meeting

1st June - Valley Shore - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate, Sis Mac Ireland - Bro & Sis Maxine

2nd June - Ty Ty - Sis Mac Ireland Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate

4th Acknowledgements - None

Business (Old & New) - The vinyl siding
has been installed. All the members
like the results. The Clerk was
authorized to send ~~to~~ Mr. Smith a
check for \$420.00.

If there is no further business and
all minds are relieved motion made
seconded and agreed by the Church
to hear the Minutes of the day
read amended if need be and
conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

of Acknowledgment. None

Cook Co
Lenox, Ill
June 19, 1893

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for
divine worship and for regular con-
ference. After singing several hymns
preaching services were opened by singing
hymn #490 prayer & preaching by Eld Laman Sheppard
followed by Sir Laman Robinson

Entered into conference by singing #75-
1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats
with us and to offer aid and counsel
if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors
of the church are opened for the re-
ception of members anyway the Gospel
directs.

3rd Reference - Standing. Motion & resolved
agreed by church to take up standing
reference. And delegate to sister
churches annual meetings.

4th June - Prospect - Bro Jay - Sis Maxine
Pate - Bro Ralph and Sis Vera Wetherington

5th Burwin (Old or New) - Thank you card from
Sir Oren McFarland was read
Bethlehem held a 5th Ann Day meeting

need be and conference closed in order.
Moderator: Eld Sam Steppay
Church Clerk: Sis Mary Steppay

May 30, 1993 in observance of her
100th Anniversary. The Lord
bless the church to have a
large ~~congregation~~ ^{congregation}. The preaching ser-
vices were as follows. Eld Sam
Dukerson lined hymn # 171 as
it was done in the early days.
Bro. Jim Smith offered prayer
preaching next by Eld. Dwight
Marshall, Elsie Brooke and
closed by Eld Sam Dukerson. Other
visiting ministers: Eld. Wendell
Harter, Roger McDonald, James
Hartman (a grandson of a former
pastor)

After lunch a brief history of
the church was presented by
the clerk. Visiting family members
of former members were invited
to say a few words.

We dismissed ^{with} prayer

If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion made, seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes of the day read, amended if

Cook Co.
Lenox La
July 17, 1993

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns, preaching services were opened: by singing hymn #452 Prayer & preaching by our pastor, Eld Lamar Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn #285
1st By inviting ^{visitors} brethren and sisters of like previous faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members any way the gospel directs.

3rd Reference - None

4th Acknowledgements - None

5th Business (Old or New) - None The bill for \$580⁰⁰ for an awning over the wheel-chair ramp & an awning for the lunch room.

If there is no further business and all minds are relieved motion made, seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minutes of the day read, amended if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld L. Sheppard Church Clerk Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill
Aug 13, 1943
Fri. pm

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church
has met for divine worship and to
hold monthly conference on this evening
the first day of her annual meeting.
After singing several hymns, preaching
services were opened by singing hymn #3
prayer by Eld Wadell Herten, followed with
preaching by Eld Dwight Marshall, Next Eld
Denver Hellingworth closed by our pastor ^{Eld} ~~Stacy~~ ^{Stacy}
Entered into conference by singing
Hymn #41.

1st By inviting visiting brethren and
sisters of like precious faith and
order to seats with us and to offer
aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors
of the church are opened for the
reception of members anyway. The
Gospel Ministry

3rd Reference - Motion made seconded
and agreed by the church to take up
standing references. Send delegates to
sister churches annual meetings:

4th Aug - Unity - Bro Jay + Sis. Maxine Pate
Bro J. M + Sis. Berta Massey Sis Irene Mathews

1st Sept - Concord - Bro Jay + Sis Maxine
Pate, Bro Ralph + Sis Vera Wetherington

2nd Sept - Refuge - Bro Jay + Sis Maxine
Pate - Bro J. M + Sis Berta Massey

3rd Sept - Rocky Creek - Bro Jay +

Sis Maxine Pate, Bro Ralph + Sis Vera Wetherington

4th Acknowledgements - None

5th Business (Old Order) - Had insulation
blown in the attic & the Church +
the church room. ^{The church will save}
^{very next month for back}
^{visit - Annual meeting}

If there is no further business
And all minds are relieved Motion
Made, seconded and agreed by the
Church to hear the minutes of the
day read, amended if need be
and conference adjourned in
order to meet back in the
morning at 10 AM

Moderator Ed Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill.
Sat Aug 14/1943

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold her annual conference on the second day of her annual meeting.

After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 184, prayer by Eld Larry Poth, followed with preaching by Eld Sam Marshall, next Eld Charles Tyson, next Eld Cleston Brooks and closed by our pastor Eld Sam Sheppard.

Dismissed approximately one hour for lunch then reassembled in the church to hold Annual Conference by singing hymn # 3.

1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters to seats with us and to offer aid & counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for members any way the Gospel drive.

3rd Reference - Motion made recorded and agreed by the church to take up annual correspondence and received the following.

1. Cat Creek - Bro Herman Moore and others
2. Concord - Bro Hiltha Roberts & others
3. Indian Creek - Bro J. M. Mearry made report
4. Long Bridge - Bro. ~~Long~~ Buren Conall & others
5. Mt. Pison - Bro Ralph Wetherington & others
6. New Friendship - Bro Ray Coppage & others
7. Old Ig Ig - Bro Darryl Satten & others
8. Old Valley Grove - Bro. G. W. Mc Kee & others
9. Prospect - Sis Alma Stalvey & Sis Juanita Smith
10. Refuge - Bro. W. R. (Dub) Summerlin & others
11. Rocky Creek - Bro G. L. Merew & others
12. Salem - Bro Billy Siddons & others
13. Sardin - Bro J. M. Mearry made the report
14. Springhill - Bro Paul Lovett & others
15. Unity - Eld. Larry Polk
16. Hartfield & Clester Brooke
17. Providence - Thoma Co. Eld. Clester Brooke ^{made} report
18. Providence - Worth Co. Eld. Clester Brooke made report
19. Bethlehem - Bro Jay Pate made report stating
we love everyone and we are at peace
and are happy to have our visitors

Copy to
Lamar Sheppard
Sept. 13, 1993

A move was made, seconded and agreed by the church to receive the verbal reports, the delegates, the visiting brethren & sisters by the Moderator followed by the church giving them the right hand of church fellowship. After this had been completed the Moderator inquired of the church if they knew of any reason they could not go into communion on tomorrow and: None. The pastor then inquired if the elements would be ready and: ^{will be} Ready.

A move was made seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minute of the day read, amended if need be and conference closed in order to meet back tomorrow at 10:30.

Moderator - Eld. Lamar Sheppard

Church Clerk - Sis. Mary Sheppard

Cook Co
Lenox, Ill
Sept. 18, 1993
Sat 2 p.m.

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn #3 prayer and preaching by Eld Lamon Sheppard followed next by Eld Wendell Hatten

Entered into conference by singing hymn #285

1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the Gospel permits

3rd Reference - More was made, read & agreed by the church to take up standing reference - send delegates to sister church's annual meetings

4th Sept - Lardner - Bro Jay & Sis Maureen Tate - Bro Ralph & Sis Vera Witherspoon

2nd Oct Spring Hill - Bro Jay & Sis Maureen Tate, Sis Irene McFadden & Sis Mary

3rd Oct - Bethel - Bro Ralph Witherspoon

4th Acknowledgements -- None

5th Business (Old or New) - The carpet
has ^{installed} ~~been laid~~ and the clerk
authorized to send a check for pmt.

If there is no further business
and all minds are relieved motion
made, seconded and agreed by the
Church to hear the Minutes of the
day ^{read} amended if need be and con-
ference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Lomas Sheppard

Church Clerk - Srs Mary Sheppard

Being present Eld Laman Sheppard accepted.

Call 207.92

Lenox, Ia
Cook, Co.

10-16-93

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to Eld monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 356 prayer preaching and closed by our pastor Eld Laman Sheppard Entered into conference by singing hymn # 295

1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and orders to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the Gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgments - None

4th Reference - None

5th Business (Old or New) - This being call time ~~Brother~~ ^{Brother} ~~made~~ ^{made} a motion to renew the call of Eld Laman Sheppard for another year - seconded by Bro J M Maresy. Voted unanimously by the church. Also renewed the clerk, Bro Mary Sheppard for another year. If there is no further business to claim the attention of the church and all minds are relieved, motion made, seconded and

Agreed by the church to have the
minutes of the day read appended
if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Laman Shappes
Church Clerk - Sen Mary Shappes

Bank \$1195.64 lit care \$12.20
Cash 207.62
~~228.81~~

Cook Co.
Lena La
Sat Nov. 20, 1993

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for divine
Worship and to hold Monthly Conference
After singing several hymns preaching
services were opened by singing hymn
494, prayer, preaching and closed by our
pastor Eld Leman Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn 380
1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of
like previous faith and order to seats with
us and to offer aid and counsel if need be,
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for the reception of members
any way the gospel directs.

3rd Acknowledgement - None

4th Reference - None

5th Business (Old & New) - Donation of \$100.00
was received from the Lindsay family reunion
If there is no further business and all minds
are relieved motion made, seconded and agreed
by the church to hear the minutes of the last
meeting, amended if need be and conference
closed in order

Moderator - Eld Leman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Liz Mary Sheppard

Cook Co
Lenox, Ill
Dec. 18, 1993

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold monthly conference.

After singing several hymns, preaching
services were opened with singing hymn #383
prayer & preaching by Eld Leman Sheppard next
Eld Charles Dixon & closed by our pastor Eld L. Sheppard
Entered into conference by singing hymn #285
1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of
like precious faith and order to seats with us
and to offer aid and counsel if need be.
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church
are opened for the reception of members anywhere the
gospel permits.

4th ~~References~~ None

3rd ~~Acknowledgements~~ None

5th Business (Old or New) None

If there is no further business and all minds are
rehearsed motion made, seconded and agreed by the
Church to hear the minutes of the day read, Amended
if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Leman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Eld Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ill
Jan 15, 1944

Beulah P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing #388 prayer & preaching by Eld Roman Sheppard, followed next by Eld Bob Dickerson and closed by our pastor Eld L Sheppard. Entered into conference by singing hymn #172

1st Inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the gospel permits

3rd ~~Report~~ Acknowledgements - None

4th Reference None

5th Business (Old or New) None

If there is no further business and all minds are relieved motion made, seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minutes of the day read, amended if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Roman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Mrs Mary Sheppard

Cool Co
Lenox, Ga
February 19, 1994

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for
divine worship and for regular conference. After
singing several hymns preaching services were
opened by singing hymn # 330. Prayer & preaching
by our pastor Eld Lemar Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 285
1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like
precious faith and order to seats with us and to
offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church
are opened for the reception of members anywhere
the gospel dwells

3rd ~~Reference~~ Acknowledgement None

4th Reference None

5th Business (did as New) None

If there is no further business and all minds
are united motion made 2nd and agreed by the
Church to hear the minutes of the day read
amended if need be and conference closed in order
Moderator Eld Lemar Sheppard
Church Clerk As Mary Sheppard

Cosh Co.
Lemay La
Mar. 19, 1954

Lebanon P.B. Church has met for divine worship and monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching service was opened by singing hymn # 3 prayer and preaching by Ed Lomen Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 4
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to officiate and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of Mordecai Ananias the gospel director.

3rd Acknowledgements - None

4th Reference - More was made recorded and agreed by the church to take up standing references. Send delegates to Annual Meeting

1st April - Cat Creek - Bro Jay - ~~Bro Maxine Pate~~
Sis Irene McFarland

2nd April - Mt Paron - Bro Jay - Sis Maxine Pate - Bro J M ~~the~~ Sis Berta Massey

5th Business (Order New) - None

If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion made seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes of the day read amended if need
be and conference closed in order.

Moderator Eld Loman Sheppard
Church Clerk Sis Mary Sheppard

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April 16, 1994

Bethlehem P. B Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching service was opened by singing hymn # 280, prayer & preaching by our pastor Eld Lerner Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 75
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the church are opened for the reception of members anywhere the gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgements - None

4th Reference (Take up standing references Motion made, seconded and agreed by the church to take up standing references - sending delegate to sister churches annual meetings -

4th in April - Salem - Bro Ralph Wetherington, Bro J. M. Massey, Sis Irene McFadden
1st in May - Long Bridge - Bro Jay Pate - Bro Ralph and Sis Vera Wetherington
2nd in May - New Friendship - Bro Ralph Wetherington ^{wife} - Bro J. M. Massey & wife

3rd in May - Indian Creek - Eld Lamar
Sheppard & wife on Friday evening.
5th Business (Old or New) None

If there is no further business to claim
the attention of the conference - and all
matters are referred, motion made, seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the
minutes of the day read, a motion if
needed and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ia

May 14, 1994

Bohlerham P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching service were opened by singing hymn #39 Prayer + preaching by our pastor Eld James Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn #200
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors, the Church are opened for the reception of members anyway the gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgments - None

4th Reference - More use made provided and agreed by the church to take up standing reference. To appoint delegates to sister churches annual meetings

1st June Old Kelly Grove - Bro Gay + Sis Maxine Pate - Sis Irene McFarland

2nd June Old Izzy - Bro Gay + Sis Maxine Pate - Sis Irene McFarland

5th Business (old or New) - None

If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion made seconded
and agreed by the Church to hear the
minutes of the day read, as needed if need
be and Conference closed in order

Moderator Eld Lamon Sheppard
Church Clerk Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ia
June 18, 1994

Bethlehem P.B. Church has met for divine worship and to hold monthly conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn # 3 prayer by Eld Laman Sheppard - preaching by our pastor Eld Laman Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn # 8
1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if needed
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members any way the gospel directs

4th Reference. Motion was made seconded and agreed by the Church to take up standing reference - ~~appointing~~ ^{sending} delegates to sister Church's annual Meetings

4th June - Prospect - Bro Jay & Sis Maryine Pate - Sis Irene McFarland

1st July - Oak Grove? Eld Laman & Sis Mary Sheppard

3rd Acknowledgements - None

5th Business (Old or New) - None

If there is no further business and all

minutes are relieved motion made
seconded and agreed by the church
to hear the minutes of the day
read, amended if need be and con-
ference closed in order

Moderator - Eld Leman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.

Lenox Co.

July 16, 1994

Beethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold monthly
conference. After singing several hymns
preaching services were opened by singing
Hymn #336 prayer & preaching by our pastor
Eld Leman Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn #5
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats with
us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
Church are opened for the reception of members
any way the gospel directs.

3rd Acknowledgments - None

4th Reference - None

5th Business (Old or New) - Robert Drummer gave
a \$500.00 donation to the church

If there is no further business and all
matters are relieved motion made & seconded
and agreed by the church to hear the minutes
of the day read, amended if need be and con-
ference closed in order

Moderator - Eld Leman Sheppard

Church Clerk - Aida Mary Sheppard

Closed by our pastor Eld Lamar Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox, Ga
Fri 8 p.m.

Aug 19, 1994

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met this evening to hold worship service and regular conference. After singing several hymns preaching services were opened by singing hymn #3, prayer by Eld Denver Hallingworth, Preaching by Bro Chris Hallingworth from Mississippi - followed by Eld Thad Marshall, next by Eld E. L. Buckwood.

Entered into conference by singing hymn #285
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the Church are opened for the reception of members anyway the gospel directs

4th Reference - Motion made seconded and agreed by the Church to take up standing references - Send delegates to sister Church's Annual meetings:

4th Aug. - Unity - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate
Bro J. M. Masey & Sis Berta

1st Sept. - Concord Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate
Bro Ralph & Sis Vera Welington Sis Irene

2nd Refuge - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine Pate

3rd Acknowledgments Done

As Iren, Mc Island - Bro J. M + Sir
Berta Massey

3rd Rocky Creek - Bro + Sir Jay Tate
Bro J. M + Sir Berta Massey

5th Business (Old or New) - None

The church will give away next
month's meeting for Rocky Creek Annual
meeting to start down here Sat
evening at 6:30 pm

If there is no further business and
all minds are relieved motion made
seconded and agreed by the church
to hear the minute of the day read
amended if need be, and the ~~etc~~ con-
ference closed in order to meet back
tomorrow at 10: AM

Moderator - Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sir Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lenox Ga
Aug 20, 1944

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold annual
conference on the 2nd day of Annual Meeting.
After singing several hymns preaching
services were opened by singing hymn 3
Prayer & preaching by Eld Vain Marshall, next
Eld Hollingsworth, next Ed. Dwight Marshall
next Eld Arthur Roberts, followed and closed
by our pastor Eld Lamar Sheppard

Dismissed approximately an hour to have
lunch. Reassembled in the Church to hold
annual conference by singing hymn #339 The
Church having met last evening for regular
conference and took care of regular business
1st Invited visiting brethren and sisters of
like previous faith and order to seats with
us and to offer aid and counsel if needed
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
Church are opened for the reception of members
anyway the gospel direct
3rd Reference: Motion made seconded and
agreed by the church to take up annual
correspondence from our sister churches?

like precious faith & order and reviewed
the following reports

Ben Tamer - Bro Eldon Dixon & wife

Bethel - Bro Dub Summerlin gave report for
Bro Roland Smith

Cat Creek - Eld Denver Hallingsworth & wife

Concord - Bro Hilton Roberts & others

Indian Creek - Bro Lewis May & Bro Lamer ^{Ward}

Long Bridge - Bro Langford Mithai & others

Mt Paron - Bro Ralph Wetherington & others

New Friendship - Bro Lloyd Corison & Bro Ray Coppage

Oak Grove - Bro Woody Cooper

Old Ly Ly - Bro Wright Marchant

Old Kelly Grove - Bro G. W. McBee and others

Rocky Creek - Eld Wendell Harten & others

Refuge - Bro Dub Summerlin & others

Salem - Bro Billy Liddens & others

Sardin - Eld Dwight Marshall gave the report

Spring Hill - Bro Paul Lorett & others

Unity - Bro Ralph Wetherington gave the report
for Bro Jim Sandlin

Sharon ^{P. B.} - Bro Chris Hallingsworth & wife ^{Sam}
ⁱⁿ ~~for~~ ^{the} Central ministry.

Prospect - Bro Laman Robinson

Crawford Lake - Eld Arthur Roberts & others
in Florida

Little Spring - Eld Arthur Roberts gave
in Florida report for Bro ^{Mary} Barker

Bethlehem - Bro Jay Pate stated we are at peace
and are happy to have each of you here with us
for annual meeting.

A motion was made seconded and agreed by the
church to receive the reports, the delegates
and the visiting brethren and sisters by the
moderator, followed by the church giving
them the right hand of church fellowship
after this had been completed the moderator
inquired of the church if they knew of any
reason why they could not go into communion
on tomorrow Answer None

The pastor then asked if the elements
would be ready Answer will be ready

A motion was made seconded and agreed by
the church to hear the minutes of the day
amended if need be and conference closed
in order.

Moderator - Eld Lamar Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co
Lenox Ia
Sat p m
Sept 17/1994

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
this evening for conference and to hold
divine worship. After singing several
hymns preaching service were opened
by singing hymn #380 - prayer and preaching
by Eld Amos Shepperd next preaching by Eld
Wendell Hester and closed by our pastor Eld
Entered into conference by singing hymn #490
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel
if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for the reception of members
any way the gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgments - None

4th Reference - None was made seconded and
agreed by the church to take up standing
reference. Sending delegates to sister church's
annual meeting

4th weekend Sept - Bno RAIPH & Sis Vera Weckert
Lardin - Bro Jay & Sis Maxine
Pate - Sis Irene McFarland Bro J. M. & Sis Berta
Masse
2nd weekend Oct. Springhill - Bro. Jay & Sis Maxine
Bro S. M. & Sis Berta Masse

3rd weekend ^{Oct.} Bethel - If anyone can go

5th Business (Old or New) - None

If there is no further business and all minds are relieved motion made, seconded and agreed by the church to hear the minutes of the day read, amended if need be and conference closed in order.

Moderator - Ed Lamer Sheppard

Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co.
Lena Lh
Oct 15, 1994

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met for divine worship and to hold regular conference. After singing several hymns, preaching service were opened by singing hymn # 376, prayer preaching and closed by our pastor Eld Leman Sheppard. Entered into conference by singing hymn # 285.

1st By inviting visiting brethren and sisters of like precious faith and order to seats with us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of
the Church are opened for the reception
of members any way the Gospel permits
Bro. A. H. New led ^{gate} - Bro. ^{gate} made a statement
4th Reference ^{gathering for fellowship & praying for} brother & sister ^{at 7:30}

5th Business (Old or New) ~~This being call~~
~~time~~ - This being call time - Bro J. Pate
made a move to call Eld Sheppard as
pastor for another year Bro J. M. Wessy
seconded voted unanimously by the Church.
Also the clerk was renewed for another
year. Bro Sheppard being present accepted
the call

If there is no further business and
all minds are relieved - motion made
seconded and agreed by the church
to hear the minutes of the day read
amended if need be and conference
closed in order

Moderator - Eld Laman Sheppard
Church Clerk - Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co
Leno, Ill
Nov. 19, 1994

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold regular
conference. After singing several hymns
preaching services were opened by
singing hymn # 237 prayer and preaching
by Eld Bob Dickinson followed by Eld Elbert
Hunter of N.C. next Eld. Eddie Lyle of N.C.
closed by our pastor Eld Lamon Sheppard
Entered into conference by singing hymn #
285

1st By inviting all visiting brethren and
sisters of like precious faith and order
to seats with us and to offer aid and
counsel if need be

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for the reception of
members anywhere the gospel dwells

3rd Acknowledgments - None

4th Reference - None

5th Business (Old or New) An \$80.00 donation
was received from the Lindsay Family
Reunion for the use of the lunchroom

If there is no further business
And all minds are relieved motion
made seconded and agreed by the
church to hear the minutes of the
day read, amended if need be and
conference closed in order.

Moderator Eld Laman Sheppard
Church Clerk Sis Mary Sheppard

Cook Co
Lenox Ia
Dec 17, 1994

Bethlehem P.B Church has met for divine
worship and to hold monthly conference. After
singing several hymns, preaching service
were opened by singing hymn #3 prayer and
preaching by our pastor Eld Laman Sheppard
Entered into conference by singing hymn #285
1st By inviting all visiting brethren and sisters
of like precious faith and order to seats with
us and to offer aid and counsel if need be.
2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
church are opened for the reception of mem-
bers anyway the Gospel permits
3rd Acknowledgments - None
4th Reference - None
5th Business (Old or New) - Bro Laman Sheppard
Appointed Bro Gay & Sis Martin Pate to call or visit
Bro Lynne Pippin - At 1.78 Church was relieved from
If there is no further business and all
matters are relieved motion made seconded and
agreed by the church to hear the minutes of
the day read amended if need be and con-
ference closed in order

Moderator: Eld Laman Sheppard
Church Clerk Edman Sheppard

Cook Co
Lena, Ia
Jan 14, 1995

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has
met for divine worship and to hold
monthly conference. After singing
several hymns, preaching service were
opened by singing hymn # 3 prayer and
preaching by Eld James Hollingsworth, followed
by Eld Charles Lynn & closed by our pastor Eld H. J. [unclear]
Entered into conference by singing
hymn # 345

1st By inviting all visiting brethren and
sisters to seats with us and to offer
aid and counsel if need be.

2nd Pastor announced the doors of the
church are opened for the reception
of members anyway the gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgement - None

4th Reference - None

5th Business (Old or New) Bro J. Pate
reported about him talking to his Joanny
Pettin - She stated she still loved the
church and to pray for her. Bro J. & his
Marine was dismissed from their committee

Bro Lamar Sheppard stated we need
to replace our heater because it has

Cash on hand -
Chg. Arct.
Outstanding bill

\$105.18
\$3246.26
\$3758 Ch. Leate

rested out. It was recommended to get
a 5 ton. Bro Jay made a move to get the
unit replaced. It was seconded and agreed

by the
church
to replace
the unit

If there is no further business &
claim the attention of the church
motion was seconded and agreed
by the church to hear the Minutes
of the day read amended if need
be and conference closed in order
Moderator - Eld Lamer Sheppard
Church Clerk - Mrs May Sheppard.

Cook Co.
Lenox Ill
Feb 18, 1995

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church has met
for divine worship and to hold monthly
Conference. After singing several hymns
preaching service were opened by singing
Hymn # 3 prayer & preaching by our
pastor Eld James Sheppard

Entered into conference by singing hymn #
75

1st By inviting all visiting brethren and
sisters & like previous faith and order to
seats with us and to offer aid and counsel
if need be.

2nd Pastor made it known the doors of the
Church are opened for the reception of members
anyway the gospel directs

3rd Acknowledgements - ~~Bro~~ Bro J. M. Mosey
4th Reference - None stated he was glad to be
back at Church

5th Business (Old or New) - Pastor announced
that the new air conditioner / heater
unit has been installed. The cost for
the unit is \$2500⁰⁰ - The Church agreed
to send Home Comfort of Adel a check
for \$2500⁰⁰

6th If there is no further business and all
minds are relieved motion made recorded
and agreed by the Church to hear the
Minutes of the day read, amended if need
be and conference closed in order.

Moderator: - Eld Laman Sheppard

Church Clerk: - Sec Mary Sheppard

