

August the 12th Day 1896.

We the Indian Bottom Church, of Regular Baptist met at the Indianbottom Church house and was found in love.

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5th Received Deligates, but no letter from Old Carrs Fork Church, Viz: Bro's James Stamper Samuel Francis. Jeremiah Smith and W.P. Cody.

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Then on motion of Eld James Dixon Eld John Creech was chosen as Moderator and John W Dixon clerk and Bro's H.G. Pratt and Samuel Francis Assistant Clerks.

Then the Articles of faith of the Indian Bottom Church was read and unanimously adopted which read as follows, Viz:

1st We believe in one true and living God and not with standing there are three that bear record in Heaven The Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet there are but one in Substance Equal in Power and Glory and not to be divided and impossible to change in principle. or practice,

2nd We believe the Old and New testament scriptures are the true word of God and were given by insperation of God: and is a sufficiency in them contained for our instructions and are the only rule of faith and practice

3rd We believe in the doctrine of original sin and that mans sined since the fall are by nature, the children of wrath.

4th We believe impotency an inability to recover themselves out of the state they are in: Therefore a Savior is absolutely needed.

5th We believe that siners are justified in the sight of God, only by the Imputed. righteousness of Jesus Christ

6th We believe in the perseverance of the saints through grace that they are born again and adopted in to the family of Heaven, that they become equal with Jesus Christ in glory and that He will raise them up at the last day.

7th We believe that Baptism and the Lords Supper are gospel Ordinances and true Believers are the proper Subjects, and we admit of none other.

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10th We believe the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting, and the Joy of the Righteous will be Eternal after death.

11th We believe washing on another's feet are a Commandment of Christ left on record with His Disciples and ought to be practiced by His followers.

12th We believe that no one has the right to administer the Gospel Ordinances but such as are legally called and qualified thereunto.

13th We believe it to be the duty of all church members to attend their church meetings, and it is the duty of the church to deal with them for neglecting the same.

14th We believe it to be the duty of all church members to contribute for the support of the Gospel and defray all reasonable expenses of the church never neglecting the Poor, according to their several abilities

15th We believe that any doctrine that goes to encourage or indulge the people in their sins or cause to settle down on anything short of saving faith in Christ for salvation is eroneous and all such doctrine will be rejected by us.

16th None of the above named Articles shall be So construed as to hold with particular Election and reprobation, So as to make God partial Either diricttly or Indiricttly. So as to injure any of the children of men.

17th Not one of the above named Articles shall be altered without Legal notice and free consent.

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2nd Resolve that this body recieve other churches of the same faith and Order, by their letter and Deligates.

3rd Resolve that a union meeting be Annually at which each church may be represented for the purpose of appointing union meetings and receiving other churches.

4th Resolve that the next Annual union meeting be held with the big Cowan Church on the 4th Saturday and Sunday in September 1897 and that Elders Silas Boggs Hiram Fields and Ira Combs attend the same.

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