# Hoosier Baptists: The Coffee Creek Association with Names Listed in Annual Meeting Minutes

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The death notices from the meetings of the Coffee Creek Association were published in two installments of *The Hoosier Genealogist: Connections* in the Spring/Summer 2013 and Fall/Winter 2013 editions. This missionary association was based in Jefferson, Jennings, and Scott Counties and came into being when the Silver Creek Association was divided in 1827. Because Baptist associations, like member churches, are autonomous, there are no set guidelines for recordkeeping. However, Coffee Creek Association has been one of the best at recording Baptist history. It is also one of the few associations with its own written history, *History of Coffee Creek Baptist Association, Southern Indiana, and Account of Present Churches and Biographical Sketches of Its Ministers* by Joshua C. Tibbets.<sup>2</sup>

In the death notices, following each name is the year of the printed minutes that are abstracted, the page number of the entry, and either a brief account or a full listing of the notice. Many of the entries only include the church the member attended, but other entries include the age of the deceased or a longer obituary. See the appendix at the end of this article for a list of Baptist titles and abbreviations found in the death notices.<sup>3</sup>

### **Notes**

 Timothy Mohon, "Hoosier Baptists—Part 3: Missionary Associations, 1823–Present, Installment 3: Coffee Creek Association, Abbot–Knox," *The Hoosier Genealogist:* Connections 53 (Spring/Summer 2013): 41–49; Timothy Mohon, "Hoosier Baptists—Part 3: Missionary Associations, 1823–Present, Installment 4: Coffee Creek Association, Lake–Zoleman," *The Hoosier Genealogist: Connections* 54 (Fall/Winter 2013): 44–53.

- J[oshua] C. Tibbets, History of Coffee Creek Baptist Association, Southern Indiana, an Account of Present Churches and Biographical Sketches of Its Ministers (Cincinnati: Elm Street Printing, 1883), 30–31, online at Open Library, <a href="http://openlibrary.org/books/OL23666667M/History\_of\_Coffee\_Creek\_Baptist\_Association">http://openlibrary.org/books/OL23666667M/History\_of\_Coffee\_Creek\_Baptist\_Association</a> (Southern Indiana).
- 3. For a list of where these and other Hoosier Baptist Association records are housed, see "Hoosier Baptist Records, 1809–2006: A Roster of Indiana Associations with an Inventory of Their Published Proceedings by Repository and a List of Associational Minutes Printed in the Annual Proceedings of the Indiana Baptist Convention," published in Online Connections, <a href="http://www.indianahistory.org/our-services/books-publications/magazines/online-connections/general-records/Hoosier%20Baptist%20Records%20Roster.pdf">http://www.indianahistory.org/our-services/books-publications/magazines/online-connections/general-records/Hoosier%20Baptist%20Records%20Roster.pdf</a>.

#### **Coffee Creek Association Death Notices**

Abbot, Sis. Elizabeth (1893): 8; Newland's Creek church. Died October 3, 1893, age 28.

Abbot, Bro. John (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Died April 1892.

Abrams, Bro. Elias (1894): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died September 23, 1893.

Alford, Sis. Mollie (1899): 6; Scottsburg church. Died April 12, 1899, age 28.

Amos, Sis. Nancy (1899): 6; Lexington church. Died December 24, 1898, age 62.

Anderson, Sis. Susan (1897): 5; Kent church.

Arbuckle, Bro. Alexander (1895): 12; Commiskey church. Died August 5, 1895, age 68.

Arbuckle, Bro. John (1896): 6; Bethany church. Died August 11, 1896, age 54.

Arbuckle, Sis. Mary (1893): 8; First Marion church. Died August 25, 1893, age 73.

Arbuckle, Sis. Mary E. (1891): 15; Bethany church. Died August 14, 1891, age 13.

Austin, Sis. Alice C. (1896): 6; Commiskey church. Died November 16, 1895, age 42.

Baker, Sis. Eva (1897): 5; Lancaster church. Died January 18, 1897, age 33.

Barnes, Bro. G. H. (1899): 6; First Marion church, Died January 13, 1899, age 76.

Barnes, Sis. Mary (1897): 5; Elizabeth church. Died February 20, 1897, age 79.

Barnes, Bro. Ollie (1891): 15; Marion church. Died December 31, 1890, age 27.

Barnes, Sis. Sarah (1896): 6; First Marion church. Died October 4, 1895, age 75.

**Baylor**, Bro. Alexander (1898): 5; New Prospect church. Died January 1897, age 68. "Omitted last year."

Bennett, Sis. Matilda (1890): 16; Vienna church. Died March 17, 1890.

**Berlin**, Sis. Liza (1884): 10; Lancaster church. "...who had for many years been an acceptable member, departed this life September 7, 1883."

Bivens, Bro. James (1898): 5; New Prospect church. Died February 1898, age 70.

Blake, Sis. Katie (1899): 6; Lick Branch church. Died February 18, 1899, age 30.

Blakely, Bro. Fergus (1895): 12; Tea Creek church. Died March 25, 1895, age 83.

Blakely, Sis. Martha (1898): 5; Tea Creek church. Died June 4, 1898.

**Blankenship**, Bro. James, Sr. (1848): 5. Died "on the twenty-third day of April last...in the seventy-sixth year of his age, after a very protracted illness, in which he was very patient and submissive. His mind was clear and his hope bright, faith firm until his latest breath."

Bolen, Bro. Absalom (1890): 16; Lick Creek church.

**Boner**, Bro. Harrison (1884): 10; Zion church. "Though a long time afflicted, bore it patiently and peacefully passed away January 20, 1884."

Bramwell, Sis. Lizzie (1895): 12; Hopewell church. Died June 16, 1895, age 32.

Branham, Mrs. Elizabeth (1900): 5; Zion church. Died April 27, 1900, age 75.

Bridge, Sis. (1886): 5; Bethany church.

Bridges, Sis. Anna Belle (1888): 16; Bethany church.

Bridges, Sis. Myrtle (1899): 6; First Marion church. Died December 16, 1898, age 22.

Bridgewater, Sis. Abigail (1889): 16; Kimberlin Creek church.

Bridgewater, Sis. Anna (1899): 6; Scottsburg church. Died November 28, 1898, age 34.

Bridgewater, Sis. Mary (1888): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died July 15, 1888.

**Bridgewater**, Bro. Samuel (1885): 8; Kimberlin Creek church. He "was born December 5, 1808, and departed this life January 23, 1885, in the 77th year of his age. He was one of the constituent members of our church, and was a faithful and efficient Christian worker during all these years. We greatly miss him in our deliberations here, but trust he has gone to rest with the Savior whom he served."

Bridgewater, Sis. Susan (1888): 16; Kimberlin Creek church.

Buckles, Sis. Sarah (1889): 16; Marion church. Died March 29, 1889, age 72.

Burnside, Sis. (1879): 12; Lick Branch church.

**Bush**, Eld. Zacheriah (1842): 2. "That as a tribute of respect to departed merit, we record the death of our most excellent brother...who departed this life on the 18th day of September, 1841, aged about 47 years. As a member of religious society, he was ever most exemplary. As a preacher and sweet singer, if not of the first order, yet many would have been proud to have enjoyed his peculiar qualities, both for preaching and singing. On the 2nd day after his death his affectionate companion followed him to the grave. They had lived many years together, and in all the relations of life, had so lived as to win for themselves the esteem of all the pious followers of the LAMB, wherever they lived and were best known."

Buxton, Bro. J. B. (1895): 12; Kent church. Died May 10, 1895, age 66.

Buxton, Sis. Rebecca (1896): 6; Kent church. Died June 20, 1896, age 67.

**Byfield**, Bro. Benjamine (1890): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died April 7, 1890, age 63 years and 7 months.

**Byfield**, Sis. Ivy (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

Cain, Dea. Archibald (1881): 5; Scaffold Lick church.

Cain, Bro. Frank (1877): 8; Bethany church. "...who died after a painful illness, borne with christian patience."

Cain, Bro. John (1896): 6; Bethany church. Died April 7, 1896, age 77.

Cain, Sis. Martha (1893): 8; Bethany church. Died March 17, 1893, age 54.

Cain, Sis. Mary A. (1898): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died June 11, 1898, age 66.

Callahan, Bro. Frank (1895): 12; New Prospect church. Age 24.

Carpenter, Sis. Ann (1896): 6; First Marion church. Died March 19, 1896, age 63.

Carpenter, Sis. Mary E. (1898): 5; First Marion church. Died March 1896, age 34. "Omitted last year."

Chambers, Eld. Alexander (1857): 5–6. "Departed this life on the 29th day of June, 1857...in the one hundred and second year of his age. He was born in Rockbridge county, Virginia, on the 15th day of May, 1756, and at the age of twenty-three years, moved Reatherford [sic] county, North Carolina. At the age of thirty-four moved to East Tennessee; four years afterward, moved to Kentucky, and three years after, he moved to Illinois. On that trip he got lost from the company of movers, under the following circumstances: He went out to shoot a buffalo from a herd that was in view, and after having killed one and taken from the carcass as much as he could carry, it being about sun-set, he missed the trail, there being no roads. Darkness set in, he traveled all night, and for sixteen days he wandered alone in a then entire wilderness. The company after stopping one day and searching for him, moved on supposed that he had been killed by the Indians. On the seventeenth day, the Indians found him nearly starved. They took him to their camp, placed him in the care of an old squaw, who fed and nursed him for a few days, and then sent two of their warriors with him to his family. He had been from then [them?] twenty-seven days. After living in that place two years, he moved back to Kentucky; lived there twelve years, then moved to Indiana in 1809, and lived in sight of the same place for forty-seven years, and died at the age of one hundred and one years, one month and fourteen days. He was a member of the Baptist church over sixty years. In the year 1816 he was set apart by said Church to preach the Gospel, in which calling he labored till within a few years of the close of his life, his health and mind failed. He made very many great sacrifices for the cause of Christ, which he loved with all his heart, and of which he often spoke to the latest period of his earthly existence. He now rests from all his labors."

Chambers, Bro. James (1894): 16; Bethany church. Died December 24, 1893, age 71.

Chambers, Eld. John (1882): 7–8; White River. "He died in his 83d year, August 5, 1882; born June 5, 1800. He joined the church in March, 1834, and served as clerk from 1835 until 1840. He received license to preach in May, 1841, and in March, 1842, was ordained at the hands of Elders J. D. Cox, James B. Swincher and Thomas Hill. On the day of his ordination he was called to the pastorate of the church, and continued to serve until 1873, excepting only two or three years. He was earnest, faithful, consistent and punctual. In 1874 he was stricken with paralysis. He continued to grow more helpless, until God heard his prayer, and 'gave his beloved sleep.' His works follow him."

**Chambers**, Sis. Nancy (1867): 5; White River church. "Departed this life in the 65th year of her age...consort of Elder John Chambers, after a sickness of many years, which she bore without a murmur. She had been a member of the Baptist church at White River, 33 years prior to her death."

Chambers, Sis. Nancy (1891): 15; Bethany church. Died February 24, 1891, age 72.

**Chambers**, Sis. Rosa N. (1885): 8; Bethany church. She "united with God's people at an early age, and lived a devoted Christian until the Master saw fit to call her home on June the 8th 1885. She rests in peace."

**Chambers**, Bro. William (1879): 12; White River church. 89 years old, "the last of the constituent members of the Church, a faithful Christian and an earnest worker."

**Chambers**, Eld. William A. (1867): 5. "Departed this life on the 6th day of July, 1867...in the hope of a blessed immortality, while preaching from Deut. 1st, 25, in the church at White River."

Chasteen, Bro. David (1890): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died August 20, 1890.

Chasteen, Sis. Elizabeth (1887): 9; Scaffold Lick church. Died April 11, 1887.

Chasteen, Bro. Harman (1877): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

Chasteen, Bro. John (1885): 7; Scaffold Lick church.

Chasteen, Bro. John (1896): 6; Scaffold Lick church. Died January 28, 1896.

Chasteen, Sis. Kitty J. (1898): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died July 3, 1898, age 73.

Chasteen, Sis. Margaret (1879): 12; Scaffold Lick church.

Chasteen, Sis. Matilda (1891): 15; Scaffold Lick church. Died February 27, 1891.

Chasteen, Sis. Phebe (1877): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

Chasteen, Bro. R. (1880): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

Chasteen, Sis. Rachel (1891): 15; Scaffold Lick church. Died February 9, 1891.

Chasteen, Sis. Rebecca A. (1895): 12; Scaffold Lick church. Died July 7, 1895, age 65.

Chasteen, Sis. Robert [Robt.] (1891): 15; Scaffold Lick church. Died May 16, 1891.

Chasteen, Bro. Stephen (1898): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died November 22, 1898, age 70.

**Chasteen**, Lic. Valentine (1844): 2; Scaffold Lick church. Died October 9, 1843. "He was a man of great piety and goodness of heart."

Chasteen, Sis. Viola (1879): 12; Scaffold Lick church.

Chitwood, Sis. Della (1892): 11; Scottsburg church. Died March 28, 1892, age 20.

Chorman, Sis. Nancy (1889): 16; New Land's Creek church. Died February 7, 1889.

**Clannahan**, Bro. William [Wm] (1888): 16; Lick Branch church.

Clegg, Sis. Sarah (1879): 12; New Bethel church.

Cline, Bro. Delmore (1884): 10; Bethany church. Died November 11, 1883, about 21 years old. "He was an exemplary Christian, faithful and pious in his daily walk, and died in strong hope of life and immortality beyond the grave."

Cline, Bro. Frank (1880): 8; Bethany church. "...who died on the 20th of March, after a lingering illness."

Cline, Sis. Lydia (1879): 12; Bethany church.

Clines, Sis. Ida (1900): 5; First Marion church. Died October 31, 1899, age 25.

Clines, Bro. James (1893): 8; Bethany church.

Clines, Bro. James [Jas.] (1893): 8; Kent church.

Clines, Bro. John C. (1893): 8. Born September 1, 1829, age 63. [Listed under Newland's Creek church, but it could be Kent.]

Clines, Bro. William [Wm] (1889): 16; Marion church. Died February 7, 1889, age 52.

**Coatney**, Sis. Sallie (1884): 10; Bethany church. "...was a follower of Christ about 42 years. She joined the church at the age of 15 years, and died in the triumph of faith January 11, 1884; aged nearly 57."

Consley, Sis. Jennie M. (1889): 16; New Prospect church. Died March 29, 1889, age 38.

Conway, Sis. Emily (1880): 8; Hopewell church. Died July 1880. "...was born in Carroll County, Kentucky, in 1803; was married in 1826; united with the Corn Creek Baptist Church in 1837; thus forty-three years of her life were spent in the Master's service. She was the mother of five sons and three daughters, all of whom are worthy members of the Baptist Church. She died as she had lived, a humble, devoted follower of the Savior."

Conway, Dea. John (1868): 4–5. "...was born in Washington County, Ky., December 27th, 1800. His father removed with his family to Corn Creek, Gallatin County, (now Trimble County), Ky., in the year 1803. Brother Conway became interested on the subject of religion, and united with the Corn Creek Baptist Church, in his 17th year, with whom he retained his membership until his removal to Jefferson County, Indiana. In the year 1825, he was married to Emily Hoagland, of Hunter's Bottom, Ky., by whom he raised five sons and two daughters. He lived to see them all made partakers of that rich grace of our blessed Savior, which was his support through a long pilgrimage of more than half a century.

"He, together with his companion, united with the Hopewell Baptist Church, Jefferson County, Ind., in May, 1840, by letter from the Corn Creek Church, in which he lived, a faithful and consistent member, until his death, which took place December 5th, 1867, after a long and painful illness. Faithfulness and consistency were prominent traits in his character, and during his long connection with the church, he was ever in his seat at the church meetings, unless prevented by sickness of himself or family.

"Always prompt in the discharge of christian duty, he was ever ready by his prayers and counsels to encourage the church and warn the sinner to seek the salvation of his soul. Firm in his religious views, he was an uncompromising Baptist, yet honoring christianity wherever seen. He enjoyed, in an eminent degree, the confidence of the church, and had filled the offices of Deacon and Moderator, with satisfaction to the church and honor to himself. He was a liberal supporter of the cause of Christ, and was for many years a member of the Domestic Mission Board of the Coffee Creek Association, and a friend to every cause that had for its object the spread of the Gospel. His hospitality was unbounded. His house was the home of the minister and the weary pilgrim, who was striving to make his way Heavenward.

"Society has lost a useful and enterprising citizen. The church has lost a faithful member. The cause of Christ a devoted follower and liberal supporter, and the family circle a kind father and an affectionate husband. He died as he lived: in the hope of a Blessed Immortality."

Coons, Sis. Corda (1893): 8; Kent church.

Coryea, Sis. Elzora (1897): 5; First Marion church. Died September 25, 1896, age 17.

Cox, Bro. J. H. (1876): 7; Coffee Creek church.

Cranshaw, Sis. Lily (1895): 12; Vienna church. Died November 19, 1894, age 42.

Crawford, Sis. Mollie (1895): 12; Lancaster church.

Cutchall, Sis. Mary A. (1879): 12; Bethany church.

Cutshaw, Sis. Amanda (1885): 7; Scaffold Lick church.

**Davis**, Eld. Benjamin (1848): 5. "Departed this life on the third day of February last...aged seventy years. He had been many years a member of the Baptist Church; and, for some twenty years a faithful Minister of the Gospel. He departed with a full assurance of a blessed immortality and eternal life."

Davis, Sis. Gertrude (1897): 5; Bethany church. Died September 1896.

Davis, Sis. Lydia (1880): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

Davis, Sis. Mary (1880): 9; Kimberlin's Creek church.

**Davis**, Bro. W. R. (1891): 15; Zion church. Died February 1891.

Deal, Sis. Emma (1898): 5; Scottsburg church. Died November 10, 1897, age 19.

Deputy, Sis. Belle (1895): 12; Coffee Creek church. Died January 30, 1895, age 46.

Deputy, Sis. Luan (1886): 5; Coffee Creek church. Died January 9, 1886.

Deputy, Sis. Lucy (1894): 16; First Marion church. Died October 10, 1893, age 22.

Deputy, Sis. Ola (1895): 12; Coffee Creek church. Died October 1, 1894, age 11½.

Dinwiddie, Sis. Mary (1891): 15; Lick Branch church. Died July 12, 1891, age 67.

**Dismore**, Bro. Nathaniel (1890): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died November 24, 1889, age 87 years and 7 months.

Dismore, Permelia A. (1893): 8; Scaffold Lick church. Died January 5, 1893, age 39.

**Dixon**, Sis. Eliza J. (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

**Dixon**, Sis. Nancy (1896): 6; Coffee Creek church. Died December 5, 1895, age 79.

Dixon, Bro. William [Wm.] (1886): 5; Coffee Creek church. Died March 21, 1886, age 71.

**Dixon**, Bro. Williamson (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

Dodd, Sis. Ella (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

Doil, Bro. Jabez (1896): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died April 1896.

**Donahue**, Sis. Cora (1898): 5; New Providence church. Died November 15, 1897, age 24.

Donecia, Sis. Lizzie (1889): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died February 1889.

**Donnell**, Francis (1900): 5; First Marion church. Died February 25, 1900, age 63.

**Driggs**, Sis. Vina (1894): 16; Hopewell church. Died July 25, 1894, age 37.

**Ducer**, Bro. Phillip (1898): 5; Alpha church. Died May 12, 1898, age 62.

**Dunham**, Sis. Louisa (1886): 5; Coffee Creek church.

Earhart, Bro. William (1897): 5; Lancaster church. Died January 16, 1897, age 17.

**Ebley**, Sis. Dora (1899): 6; Elizabeth church. April 30, 1899, age 74.

Ecton, Sis. Sarah (1889): 16; Kimberlin Creek church.

Eick, Bro. Aaron (1896): 6; Bethany church. Died January 26, 1896, age 61.

Elliot, Sis. Mattie (1890): 16; Lancaster church.

Elliott, Bro. Albert (1894): 16; Vienna church. Died November 26, 1893, age 18.

Elliott, Sis. Elizabeth (1899): 6; Newlands's Creek church.

**Elliott**, Bro. Robert W. (1885): 8; New Prospect church. He "died from the effects of a wound in the leg, after an illness of about six weeks. He had a short time before been baptized on a profession of faith in Christ, and was considered a Christian. He died January 12, 1885, aged about 20 years."

Ellis, Sis. Mary (1900): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died February 7, 1900, age 23.

Engles, Bro. Frank (1900): 5; First Marion church. Died March 11, 1900, age 25.

Epley, Sis. Flora J. (1888): 16; Bethany church.

Ewing, Sis. Rosa (1887): 9; Scaffold Lick church. Died July 20, 1887.

Ewing, Sis. Sarah (1898): 5; Zion church. Died July 16, 1898, age 95.

Eyck, Sis. Mary E. (1879): 12; Bethany church.

Faris, Sis. Mary E. (1897): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died October 16, 1896, age 43.

Faulkner, Sis. Alice (1896): 6; New Providence church. Died July 28, 1896, age 38.

Ferguson, Bro. J. T. (1899): 6; Elizabeth church. Died December 21, 1898, age 56.

Ferris, Bro. Jacob (1895): 12; Lancaster church.

Ferris, Sis. Margaret (1896): 6; Lancaster church. Died May 10, 1896, age 88.

Feurgason, Sis. (1886): 5; Elizabeth church. Age 39.

Fewel, Sis. Betsey (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 70.

Fewel, Bro. Chaffie (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 18.

Fewel, Sis. Henrietta (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 56.

Fewel, Bro. J. H. (1891): 15; Hopewell church. Died March 18, 1891, age 87.

Fewel, Bro. Sanford (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 66.

Fewell, Sis. Cora (1889): 16; Bethany church. Died April 8, 1889, age 19.

Fitch, Sis. Ella (1894): 16; Kent church. Died September 12, 1893, age 20.

Ford, Dea. Achilles (1879): 12; Hopewell church. "...had been a worthy member for fifty years."

Ford, Sis. Elizabeth A. (1899): 6; Hopewell church. Died August 22, 1899, age 65.

Ford, Sis. Nancy (1879): 12; Hopewell church. 70 years old.

Ford, Sis. Nettie (1895): 12; Hopewell church. Died April 26, 1895, age 18.

Foster, Sis. (1879): 12; Lick Branch church.

Gaddy, Sis. Sarah (1888): 16; Tea Creek church.

Gady, Bro. Benjamin (1893): 8; Coffee Creek church. Died March 17, 1893, age 76.

**Gahn**, Bro. C. F. (1899): 6; Tea Creek church. Died January 7, 1899.

Gahn, Sis. Mahala (1888): 16; Zion church.

Gannon, Dea. Abram (1881): 5; Zion church.

Gannon, Sis. Margaret (1881): 5; Zion church.

Garrett, Sis. Susan (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 17.

Giltner, Sis. Nancy (1890): 16; Lancaster church. Died February 21, 1890, age 65.

Gladden, Sis. Sarah (1880): 9; Kimberlin's Creek church.

Glendy, Bro. D. C. (1892): 11; New Lands Creek church. Died May 28, 1892, age 29.

Glover, Sis. Elizabeth (1886): 5; Freedom church. Died August 5, 1886, age 89.

**Glover**, Eld. James (1856): 5. Died July 3, 1856, 64 years old. "As a man, he was honest and upright; as a Christian, unwavering; as a Minister, faithful in his instructions. We sustain a great loss in his departure, but we comfort ourselves knowing that our loss is his gain."

Gobin, Sis. Zarelda (1889): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died September 12, 1888.

Granger, Sis. Elizabeth (1899): 6; Commiskey church.

Granger, Bro. Ephraim (1899): 6; Commiskey church.

Green, Sis. Eliza J. (1895): 12; Zion church. Died August 8, 1895, age 65.

Green, Bro. Gilbert (1879): 12; Zion church.

Green, Dea. James (1880): 8–9; Zion church. Died February 21, 1880, 85 years old. "...was a native of Tennessee; was married in 1812, and with his young family moved to Jennings County, Ind., in 1819; united with the Baptist Church at Vernon in October, 1842, and on the 26th of December, 1844, he, with about fifty others, having received letters of dismission from the Vernon Church, united in constituting the Zion Baptist Church, of which organization he continued a faithful member until the Master called him home. Brother Green served as trustee for four years. In 1855 he was ordained deacon, and served with faithfulness up to 1878, when, at his own request, on account of his old age and infirmities, he was released from the duties he had so faithfully performed for 23 years. The entire community unite with the [sic]...church in saying, indeed, 'a good man has fallen.'"

**Green**, Sis. Mary (1885): 8; Zion church. Widow "of Albert Green...departed this life December 28, 1884. She had been a faithful member for more than forty years, and very many friends mourn her loss. But she has gone to meet her companion and with him be with Jesus, where there will be no more parting and where pain and death can never come."

Green, Sis. Mary (1886): 5; Zion church. Died August 19, 1885, age 87.

Griffey, Sis. Catharine (1896): 6; Hopewell church. Died June 1896, age 80.

Gudgell, Sis. Lona (1890): 16; Bethany church.

Guinn, Sis. Margaret E. (1889): 16; Vienna church. Died May 19, 1889, age 49.

Hall, Sis. Elizabeth (1890): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died July 15, 1890, age 75.

Hall, Sis. Matilda (1897): 5; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died April 1897.

Hall, Sis. Melinda (1900): 5; Lick Branch church. Died July 12, 1900, age 76.

Hall, Sis. Rose (1900): 5; Newland's Creek church. Died February 1900.

Hamil, Bro. Isaac (1879): 12; Lancaster church. "...for many years Clerk of the Church."

Hancock, Dea. (1876): 7; Bethany church.

**Hancock**, Sis. Cora (1885): 8; Bethany church. A "faithful and devoted Christian departed this life to meet her reward on the 21st of July last."

**Hancock**, Sis. Minnie (1884): 10; Bethany church. Died January 13, 1884, 22 years old. "She professed faith in Christ when 10 years old, and lived a Christian life until the last summons came."

Harding, Sis. Nancy (1899): 6; New Prospect church. Died February 28, 1899, age 64.

Hargraves, Bro. James (1898): 5; Elizabeth church. Died June 1898, age 87.

Hargraves, Sis. Sarah (1899): 6; Elizabeth church. Died December 16, 1898, age 85.

**Harris**, Sis. Elizabeth (1885): 8; Kimberlin Creek church. She "died in her 88th year. She was a strong pillar in the church, and died in triumphant faith."

Harris, Sis. Maggie (1893): 8; Newland's Creek church. Died January 1893.

Hartwell, Sis. Susan (1891): 15; Tea Creek church. Died March 27, 1891.

Hazel, Sis. Mary B. (1887): 9; Elizabeth church. Died August 14, 1887, age 65.

Henney, Sis. Margaret (1895): 12; Elizabeth church. Died July 30, 1895, age 68.

Henry, Sis. Delilah (1879): 12; Bethany church.

Hill, Rev. Allen (1898): 5–6. "Among the hills of Coffee Creek Association, our brother...spent his childhood, and grew to manhood. In 1861 the war made necessury [sic] the enlistment of men for the defense of the nation. Brother Hill assisted in raising a company and was made Captain of company H, 27th Indiana Vol. Inft., and continued to serve until disabled by disease, when he resigned and returned home. In February, 1865, he was led to see himself a sinner, and accepted Christ. In April, 1869, he was licensed to preach, and was ordained a minister the 22nd of January 1870. After supplying numerous churches in Illinois for eight years, he was induced to return to the old homestead in Indiana, and take the pastorial [sic] care of the Coffee Creek church, which had enjoyed the tender watchcare of his father, Rev. Thomas Hill, jr., for almost thirty years, and had been founded by his grandfather, Rev. Thomas Hill, senior, in 1822. Since his return to Indiana, Brother Hill has held pastorates at Coffee Creek, Freedom, Zion, Tea Creek, F[i]rst Marion and Lick Branch in Coffee Creek Association; Vernon, in Madison Association, North Vernon in Sand Creek Association, also at Galveston, Clayton and Spencer which latter pastorate he held at the time of his death. For nearly three years he was State Evangelist; establishing new churches and Sunday Schools. He had been afflicted for some months past, but none, unless it was himself, thought the end was so near. It was hoped that he would soon be able to resume his pastoral work; but how little we know about the length of our stay here; thus unexpectedly came the messenger of death to our Brother and peacefully and with a heavenly smile upon his face he fell asleep in Jesus, August 4th, 1898, aged 67 years 6 months and 24 days...Our Brother...entered upon this life's journey in Jennings County, Indiana, January 10th, 1831."

Hill, Sis. Mary (1845): 2; Coffee Creek church. "Departed this life on the 24th day of October, 1844, our beloved sister...consort of Elder Thomas Hill, and mother of our present Moderator, Thomas Hill, jr., in the 74th year of her age, having been for near 57 years an unwearying and exemplary Christian, of the Baptist denomination, and at the time of her death, a member of the Coffee Creek church."

Hill, Sis. Susan (1865): 5; Died July 27, 1865, age 69.

**Hill**, Eld. Thomas, Jr. (1876): 7. "He was born in 1797; 'Born again' in 1822, and became a member of the Coffee Creek Baptist Church; was licensed to preach in 1823, and ordained to the ministry in 1825. For thirteen years he labored as a general Missionary; part of the time in the

employ of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and part of the time of the General Association of Indiana.

"In 1838, he became pastor of the Coffee Creek Church, and continued in that relation thirty years. He preached the gospel for 53 years; was Moderator of this Association 39 years, and a member of Coffee Creek Church 54 years. He fell asleep in Jesus, March 27, 1876, in the 79th year of his age.

"Brother Hill was a man of the age. For integrity and solidity of character he was excelled by none. As a minister he stood pre-eminent among his brethren. He was decidedly a textual preacher, and always found his text in God's Book. He was sound in Theology; a very safe adviser and faithful teacher. He was honest in all his convictions of right; an earnest sympathizer with the oppressed; a warm and liberal friend to the poor. He was a man of strong faith and 'effectual prayer;' and was one of the earliest advocates and a leader in the cause of Temperance; a pioneer in every good cause in Southern Indiana.

"Earnest and very eloquent in his preaching, he was always listened to with attention and deep interest, and his brethren in the ministry especially were always delighted to form a part of his audience. He was a man of God. He has entered his Master's employ above, and his 'works do follow him.'"

Hill, Eld. Thomas, Sr. (1848): 5–6. The proceedings note (p. 4) that his son, Eld. Thomas Hill, Jr., wrote the following sketch: "... was born March 17, 1763, in the State of New Jersey. While he was yet small, his parents removed to Virginia, where, at the age of nineteen years, he entered the army, and served a three month's tour in the war of the American Revolution. On the 26th of October, 1786, he was married to Mary Stone, by whom he had five sons. About the year 1788 or '89 it pleased the good Lord to awaken him to a sense of his condition as a sinner, and after some months of sorrow and distress on the account of sin, he was enabled to trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, and realize peace in believing. He immediately began to exhort his fellow men to flee from the wrath to come. He united with the Baptist Church, was baptized by Joseph Anthony, and received a license from the Church to preach the Gospel. His companion, a few months after, made profession of religion, and united with the same Church. After laboring a few years in Virginia, he removed to East Tennessee, where he resided about four years. In the fall of 1798, he removed to Kentucky, and settled near Somerset, Pulaski county, and united with the Church at Sinking Creek, Thomas Hansford, Pastor. He soon began to hold meetings in a destitute neighborhood about eight miles distant, and in a short time under his labors, a church was raised up called White Oak, of which he became Pastor. He was ordained the 2d day of February, 1800, by Thomas Hansford and James Fears. He continued his labors with the above named Church, and sustained the relation of Pastor for about 17 years, during which many were added to the Church. He labored successfully in other Churches, and neighborhoods, especially in the neighborhood where he lived. He was the favored instrument under God in the conversion of many souls. In March, 1817, he removed to Indiana, Jennings county, and united with a small Church called Graham's Fork, was chosen Pastor, and continued to serve the Church as such, until May, 1822, at which time the Coffee Creek Church was organized in his immediate

neighborhood, and under his labors. He was a member in the constitution, was chosen pastor, and continued his pastorship for a number of years, until, at his own request, he was released in consequence of the infirmities of age...He labored faithfully, and had the satisfaction to know that his labor was not in vain in the Lord. Many yet live who claim him as their father in the gospel, while many others who were brought into the fold of Christ through his instrumentality, are gone to enjoy that rest which remains to the people of God.

"On the 24th October, 1844, he was called to part with his bosom companion, with whom he had lived nearly fifty-eight years. She had been a faithful burden bearer with him in all his labors and toils. The bereavement to him was very painful, but he comforted himself with the thought that his loss was her gain. He continued to labor as far as health and strength would permit, and when by reason of age he was no longer able to travel out and visit neighboring churches, he was still faithful in attending the meetings of his own beloved church, even when unable to walk without being supported; and, frequently at the close of meeting would lean upon his staff and exhort his brethren and sisters to faithfulness in duty, and point sinners to the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world.

"He departed this life on Monday the twenty-second of May, 1848, after a short but painful affliction occasioned by a fall. The last month of his life was to him a season of more than usual religious enjoyment. He died in hope of a blessed immortality. In his last illness he remarked to his friends that he felt willing to go, and after a few moments repeated yes, I feel willing to go, my hope is in Jesus Christ, I have no confidence in the flesh.

"On the following day, at three o'clock, his funeral sermon was preached at the Coffee Creek meeting house by Elder James B. Swincher, from 1st Chronicles, 29th chapter, 15th verse...After which his remains were followed by a very large procession to the graveyard, where they were interred by the side of his dear companion, there to remain until the resurrection morn."

Hoagland, Sis. Elizabeth (1896): 6; Scaffold Lick church. Age 80.

Hoard, Bro. Ollie (1889): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died November 15, 1888, age 28.

Holwager, Sis. Caroline (1899): 6; Lick Branch church. Died October 27, 1898, age 53.

Hopper, Sis. Mahala (1887): 9; Scaffold Lick church. Died May 1887.

Howell, Sis. Nancy (1879): 12; White River church.

Hufford, Sis. Elizabeth (1892): 11; Bethany church.

Hughes, Sis. Eliza (1898): 5; Hopewell church. Died May 10, 1898, age 59.

Hughes, Sis. Malinda (1888): 16; First Marion church. Died May 17, 1888, age 73.

**Humphrey**, Bro. Woodford (1897): 5; Kent church.

**Humphreys**, Bro. J. H. (1888): 16; Hopewell church.

Humphreys, Bro. Samuel (1882): 7; Hopewell church.

Hunt, Sis. Emily (1898): 5; First Marion church, Died October 10, 1897, age 55.

Hunt, Bro. James (1899): 6; First Marion church. Died April 19, 1899, age 64.

Hunter, Bro. Levi (1879): 12; New Bethel church.

Ireland, Bro. Samuel (1890): 16; Hopewell church. Died August 1890.

James, Bro. George (1891): 15; Scaffold Lick church. Died February 9, 1891.

James, Sis. J. Catherine (1900): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died August 26, 1899.

Jeffries, Sis. Ellen (1885): 8; Lick Branch church. Died March 11, 1885, age 40.

Johnson, Bro. Alvin (1889): 16; Tea Creek church.

Johnson, Bro. Basil (1890): 16; Tea Creek church. Died May 18, 1890.

Kay, Sis. Lucy (1894): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died February 20, 1894.

Kinder, Bro. Edward (1894): 16; Tea Creek church.

King, Sis. Mary (1896): 6; Elizabeth church. Died October 14, 1895, age 35.

Kinney, Sis. Sarah E. (1894): 16; First Marion church. Died March 12, 1894, age 42.

Knox, Sis. Jennie (1893): 8; Coffee Creek church. Died June 14, 1893, age 37.

Lake, Sis. Barbara (1894): 16; Commiskey church.

Lamaster, Sis. Elizabeth (1889): 16; New Land's Creek church.

Lamaster, Bro. Lewis (1891): 15; Vienna church. Died July 18, 1891, age 73.

Lamaster, Sis. Rebecka (1890): 16; Vienna church. Died November 26, 1889.

Lasswell, Dea. Peter (1877): 8; Kimberlin's Creek church. Died February 1877.

Lauler, Sis. Emma (1893): 8; Hopewell church. Died May 29, 1893, age 17.

Laury, Sis. Elizabeth (1893): 8; Commiskey church. Died April 11, 1893, age 89.

Law, Sis. Nancy (1879): 12; Scaffold Lick church.

Law, Sis. Rachel J. (1888): 16; Lick Branch church.

Lawler, Lic. Bennett (1845): 2; Hopewell church. Died May 24, 1845, age 33.

Lawler, Sis. Malissa (1894): 16; Hopewell church. Died July 26, 1894, age 56.

Lawler, Sis. Nancy (1898): 5; Hopewell church. Died March 4, 1898, age 86.

Lawrence, Sis. (1880): 8; Coffee Creek church.

Lawrence, Bro. Henry (1897): 5; Commiskey church. Died January 25, 1897, age 75.

Lewis, Sis. Eliza E. (1882): 7; Marion church. "...died last January in the prime of life and usefulness."

Lewis, Sis. Malinda (1892): 11; Coffee Creek church. Died January 5, 1892, age 72.

Lewis, Rev. William B. (1892): 11; Coffee Creek church. Died August 11, 1892, age 75. Ordained May 6, 1848.

Lewis, Bro. William F. (1897): 5; First Marion church. Died March 15, 1897, age 35.

Licklyter, Bro. Fred (1893): 8; New Prospect church. Died March 31, 1893.

Lizenby, Sis. Margaret A. (1900): 5; Scottsburg church. Died September 11, 1899, age 46.

Long, Sis. Mary C. (1896): 6; Lick Branch church. Died November 28, 1895.

Long, Bro. Richard (1889): 16; Tea Creek church. Died January 29, 1889.

Low, Bro. John (1880): 8; Hopewell church. Died March 1880.

Lowe, Sis. Mary H. (1877): 8; Hopewell church. "...a youthful member, who has been called to her reward."

Lychliter, Sis. Samantha (1880): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

Malcomb, Sis. Nancy (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

Malcomb, Dea. Samuel (1884): 9; Coffee Creek church. "...a pioneer in the Baptist cause in Southern Indiana. He was born in Maryland, September 20, 1808; came to Indiana in 1831; united with the Baptist church in October, 1831; was ordained Deacon a few years later, and died May 30, 1884. He rarely failed in all these years to fill his place in the house of God; was always reliable in every Christian duty; was a true pillar of the church, ever assisting in the advancement of the cause of Christ by his presence, his counsels, and his means, and by his pure, consistent deportment. The family, the church, and the community have sustained a great loss."

Marling, Sis. Elizabeth (1889): 16; New Prospect church. Died July 2, 1889, age 28.

Marling, Dea. John (1894): 16; New Prospect church. Died March 21, 1894, age 73.

Marshall, Bro. C. W. (1886): 5; Hopewell church. Died July 26, 1886, age 64.

Marshall, Sis. Luvenia (1886): 5; Hopewell church. Died August 10, 1886, age 28.

Marshall, Bro. M. J. (1893): 8; Commiskey church. Died October 31, 1892, age 66.

**Marvin**, Sis. Lydia (1884): 10; Zion church. "...an exemplary Christian, who died trusting in Jesus, May 1, 1884."

McAdams, Sis. Lillie (1894): 16; Vienna church. Died October 28, 1893, age 14.

**McCaslin**, Bro. James (1879): 12; Lick Branch church. "...one of her best and most influential members."

McCaslin, Sis. Sophia (1895): 12; Bethany church. Died January 25, 1895, age 76.

McClanahan, Sis. Martha (1897): 5; Lick Branch church. Died August 26, 1897, age 66.

**McClelland**, Bro. James (1885): 8; Elizabeth church. He "died suddenly while in the field at work, May 30, 1885, aged 67. Had been a consistent member twelve years."

McCoy, Rev. John E. (1891): 15. Son of Eld. William McCoy.

McCoy, Eld. William (1891): 15. Father of Rev. John E. McCoy.

McCrury, Sis. Elizabeth (1894): 16; Bethany church. Died February 28, 1894, age 54.

McFadden, Bro. J. H. (1879): 12; Scaffold Lick church.

McFall, Sis. Mary (1880): 8; Scaffold Lick church.

McGorra, Sis. Mary A. (1887): 9; New Prospect church. Died January 1887, age 51.

McGuire, Sis. Luela (1892): 11; Coffee Creek church. Died November 13, 1891, age 23.

McLellen, Sis. Mary J. (1897): 5; Elizabeth church.

McNealy, Sis. Eliza (1897): 5; Scaffold Lick church. Died October 26, 1896, age 67.

McNeeley, Bro. Frederick (1889): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died August 1889.

McQuilling, Sis. Jane (1899): 6; Newlands's Creek church.

McQuilling, Bro. Peter (1889): 16; New Land's Creek church. Died July 16, 1889, age 83.

**Meek**, Sis. Amanda (1879): 12; Zion church. "...went into the Church at its organization in 1844, and died in Kansas in 1878."

Mercer, Sis. Adda (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Died January 26, 1892.

Mercer, Sis. Amanda M. (1899): 6; Vienna church. Died November 1, 1898.

Mercer, Rev. George L. (1888): 16; Kimberlin Creek church. Age 61.

Mercer, Bro. J. L. (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Died January 22, 1892.

Mercer, Sis. Nancy (1891): 15; Kimberlin [Creek?] church.

Monroe, Bro. A. C. (1889): 16; New Prospect church. Died June 10, 1889, age 71.

Monroe, Bro. Aquilla (1898): 5; New Providence church. Died May 1898.

Monroe, Sis. Elizabeth (1895): 12; Elizabeth church. Died November 1894, age 27.

Monroe, Sis. Emily (1890): 16; Bethany church.

**Monroe**, Bro. Felix (1847): 5; Liberty church. "Departed this life on the 26th of November, 1846... in the 64th year of his age; he united with the Baptist church at White river, in 1818; and, during his christian life was highly esteemed and beloved by all who had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance. At the time of his death he was a member of the Liberty Baptist Church."

Monroe, Sis. Leticia (1896): 6; Hopewell church. Died January 1896.

Monroe, Sis. Lizzie (1891): 15; Tea Creek church. Died June 12, 1891.

Monroe, Bro. W. T. (1892): 11; Elizabeth church. Died January 1892, age 27.

**Monroe**, Bro. William (1877): 8; White River church. "His name need only be mentioned as a veteran of the cross. He had long been a fateful worker in the Master's vineyard, and the sentiment of every heart is, 'Truly a father has fallen in Israel."

Montgomery, Dea. (1876): 7; Elizabeth church.

Montgomery, Sis. Hannah (1894): 16; Vienna church. Died April 22, 1893, age 44.

Montgomery, Bro. James [Jas.] (1889): 16; Vienna church. Died March 31, 1889, age 63.

Montgomery, Sis. Mary (1888): 16; Elizabeth church.

Montgomery, Bro. Oliver L. (1890): 16; New Prospect church. Died December 1889, age 20.

Montgomery, Sis. Sally (1894): 16; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died June 1894.

**Montgomery**, Bro. William (1894): 16; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died September 23, 1893, age 38.

Musprier, Sis. Caroline (1894): 16; Elizabeth church. Died December 31, 1893, age 56.

Myers, Bro. M. E. (1899): 6; First Marion church. Died March 22, 1899, age 55.

Nay, Bro. Harry (1900): 5; Lancaster church. Died February 6, 1900.

Nay, Sis. Mary (1887): 9; Coffee Creek church.

Nay, Bro. William H. (1894): 16; Lick Branch church. Died January 27, 1894.

Nelson, Sis. Mary (1893): 8; Coffee Creek church. Died March 3, 1893, age 76.

Owen, Sis. Lovisy (1894): 16; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died March 13, 1894, age 85.

Padgett, Bro. Thomas (1879): 12; Moderator of the Hebron church.

Parker, Sis. Amelia E. (1889): 16; New Prospect church. Died April 17, 1889, age 11.

**Paul**, Bro. Daniel (1885): 7; Scaffold Lick church. One of the "oldest members, being well on to 90 years of age."

**Phillips**, Bro. Benjamin (1893): 8; Kimberlain [sic] [Creek?] church. Died September 21, 1893.

Porter, Sis. Laura (1899): 6; Lancaster church. Died April 1, 1899, age 20.

**Pound**, Bro. Martin (1899): 6; Lexington church. Died March 26, 1899, age 72.

Power, Bro. S. (1900): 5; Scottsburg church. Died March 5, 1900, age 69.

Rawlings, Bro. Aaron (1897): 5; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died September 9, 1896.

Rawlings, Sis. Sarah J. (1899): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died August 4, 1899.

Rawlings, Bro. William (1897): 5; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died September 20, 1896.

**Rector**, Bro. Daniel (1879): 12; Lancaster church. "...who was chosen Deacon, but had not yet been ordained."

Rector, Bro. John (1895): 12; Lancaster church.

Redman, Sis. Josephine (1894): 16; Bethany church. Died April 26, 1894, age 20.

**Reece**, Eld. John (1852): 5. "...died about the 14th of May last, on Red river, on his way to Texas; and now sleeps in a grave among strangers."

Resebury, Sis. Mary B. (1887): 9; Tea Creek church. Died June 2, 1887, age 78.

Reynolds, Bro. Aaron (1893): 8; New Providence church. Died January 23, 1893, age 76.

Reynolds, Sis. Celina (1896): 6; New Providence church. Died October 3, 1895, age 70.

Rice, Sis. Jane (1896): 6; Scaffold Lick church. Died August 28, 1896, age 80.

Rice, Sis. Sally (1890): 16; Bethany church.

Richey, Sis. Alice (1887): 9; Vienna church.

Richey, Bro. Nelson (1892): 11; Scottsburg church.

Richey, Sis. Shelby (1889): 16; Vienna church. Died May 23, 1889, age 74.

Righthouse, Sis. Mary (1899): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died March 2, 1899.

Ringo, Sis. Lydia (1881): 5; Kimberlin's Creek church.

**Ringo**, Sis. Mary (1891): 15; Vienna church. Died July 27, 1891, age 57.

Ringo, Sis. Mary N. (1900): 5; Vienna church. Died June 13, 1900, age 55.

Ringo, Sis. Nancy (1899): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died April 4, 1899.

Ringo, Sis. Rosannah (1890): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died December 12, 1889.

Robbin, Bro. Martin (1887): 9; Scaffold Lick church. Died December 24, 1886.

Robbins, Bro. Alexander [Alex.] (1890): 16; Bethany church.

Robbins, Sis. Betsey (1892): 11; Scaffold Lick church.

**Robbins**, Bro. Caleb (1880): 9; First Marion church. "...one of the leading members of the church, and an ornament to society."

Robbins, Sis. Catherine (1890): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died August 1, 1890.

Robbins, Sis. Eliza (1899): 6; Lexington church. Died August 19, 1899, age 60.

Robbins, Sis. Ellen (1894): 16; Scottsburg church. Died June 7, 1894.

Robbins, Bro. Hiram (1899): 6; Lexington church. Died August 11, 1899, age 64.

Robbins, Bro. J. M. (1894): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died April 9, 1894.

Robbins, Sis. Jane (1892): 11; Bethany church.

Robbins, Sis. Mary (1892): 11; Vienna church. Died March 18, 1892.

Robbins, Bro. Nathanial (1896): 6; Scaffold Lick church. Died March 1896.

Robbins, Bro. Nathaniel (1898): 5; Lexington church. Died June 5, 1898, age 21.

Robbins, Sis. Surina (1892): 11; Scaffold Lick church.

Roberts, Sis. Nancy (1893): 8; Commiskey church. Died May 22, 1893, age 79.

Rodman, Sis. Frankie (1891): 15; Scottsburg church. Died April 12, 1891.

Rogers, Bro. A. J. (1898): 5; Vienna church.

Rogers, Bro. John C. (1894): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died January 20, 1894, age 79.

Rutlege, Sis. Lucy (1892): 11; Lick Branch church. Died July 17, 1892.

Sage, Bro. Jesse (1900): 5; Lick Branch church. Died August 4, 1900, age 76.

Sage, Sis. Mary J. (1894): 16; Lick Branch church. Died April 24, 1894, age 71.

Samples, Sis. Alice B. (1897): 5; Bethany church. Died April 3, 1897.

Sanders, Sis. Rebecca (1897): 5; Scottsburg church.

Sands, Bro. James (1895): 12; Vienna church. Died May 10, 1895, age 86.

Scott, Dea. (1876): 7; Coffee Creek church.

**Seburn**, Sis. Mary (1893): 8. Died September 4, 1892, age 60. [Listed with Coffee Creek church, but it could be Bethany church.]

Seburn, Bro. William (1898): 5; Bethany church. Died March 8, 1898, age 75.

Shambough, Sis. Carrie (1894): 16; Elizabeth church. Died April 1, 1894, age 14.

Shanbeau, Sis. Frorence [?] (1897): 5; Elizabeth church.

Slater, Sis. Nancy J. (1893): 8; New Prospect church. Died January 5, 1892, age 57.

Smith, Bro. Alvis (1890): 16; Elizabeth church. Died June 24, 1890, age 21.

Smith, Sis. Anna (1893): 8; First Marion church. Died May 7, 1893, age 77.

Smith, Bro. David (1886): 5; First Marion church. Died February 4, 1886, age 79.

Smith, Sis. Kata (1895): 12; First Marion church. Died September 2, 1894, age 20.

Smith, Sis. Katie (1899): 6; Newlands's Creek church.

Smith, Sis. Lucinda (1899): 6; Zion church. Died February 18, 1899, age 85.

Smith, Sis. Maggie (1898): 5; Vienna church.

Sooy, Sis. Lula (1896): 6; Hopewell church. Died July 4, 1896, age 17.

Spark, Sis. Sarah (1880): 9; Kimberlin's Creek church.

Spaulding, Bro. Giles W. (1899): 6; Zion church. Died December 25, 1898, age 48.

Speilman, Sis. Jennie (1897): 5; Lick Branch church. Died June 10, 1897, age 43.

**Spencer**, Bro. Amasa (1846): 5; Zion church. "On the 10th day of July, 1846, in the 87th year of his age...an eminently pious man of God, and for about 26 years a member of the Baptist Church. At the time of his death he was a member of the Zion church."

Spencer, Sis. Ellen (1888): 16; Zion church.

**Spencer**, Sis. Emily (1885): 8; Zion church. She "died July 28, 1885, aged 26 years. She united with the church in May, 1872, and lived a quiet, Consistent Christian life, and was loved by all. She always had a kind word for suffering humanity."

Spencer, Bro. Keziah (1899): 6; Zion church. Died January 7, 1899, age 54.

Spencer, Sis. Mary (1888): 16; First Marion church. Died September 6, 1887.

Spencer, Bro. Mason (1900): 5; Zion church. Died April 6, 1900, age 50.

Spicer, Bro. Avery (1895): 12; Hopewell church. Died October 20, 1894, age 82.

Spicer, Sis. Dorcas (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 64.

**Spillman**, Rev. James N. (1884): 10; Lancaster church. "...died Tuesday morning, August 5, 1884. Bro. Spillman was born in Carroll County, Kentucky, June 2, 1848; united with the Locust Creek Baptist Church in August, 1865; was married in April, 1871, and in August of the same year was licensed to preach, and March 15, 1879, was ordained to the Gospel ministry. In March, 1881, he located at Lancaster, Indiana, where he resided until called away by death. He left a wife and

three children—two children having preceded him to the better land.

"A noble and good man is taken from his labor to his reward. Bro. Spillman was constantly employed in his Master's work, and we miss him in our Association, in our churches, and in our homes; but we submit to the Divine Providence of our God.

"The funeral sermon was preached by Dr. Dobbs, from 2d Timothy, iv, 6–8, to a very large concourse of people. As an Association we offer to the bereaved widow and orphans our sincere sympathy."

**Stansbery**, Sis. Addie (1891): 15; Hopewell church. Died February 1891.

Staples, Sis. Elizabeth (1894): 16; First Marion church. Died December 4, 1893, age 71.

Staples, Bro. John (1895): 12; Kent church. Died September 26, 1894, age 74.

Staples, Bro. T. J., Sr. (1882): 7; Marion church. Died July 30, 1882, age 74.

Staton, Sis. Maria (1895): 12; Bethany church. Died February 27, 1895.

Stevens, Bro. Samuel (1896): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died September 20, 1895.

Stites, Rev. D. O. (1894): 16; Lick Branch church. Died June 14, 1894.

Stites, Bro. William (1892): 11; Hopewell church. 18 years old. "Student for the Ministry."

Stokes, Sis. Isabella (1879): 12; Hopewell church.

Stout, Sis. Amanda (1900): 5; Lancaster church. Died February 1, 1900.

Stout, Bro. Charles [Chas.] G. (1900): 5; Scottsburg church. Died August 7, 1900, age 27.

Stribling, Dea. B. B. (1897): 5; Hopewell church. Died July 2, 1897, age 83.

Stribling, Sis. Betsey (1892): 11; Hopewell church. Age 74.

**Stribling** [?], Sis. Eliza [?] (1895): 12; Hopewell church. Died August 9, 1895, age 52.

Suddith, Sis. Clara (1895): 12; Elizabeth church. Died December 28, 1894, age 14.

Sulivan, Bro. Albert (1891): 15; Lick Branch church. Died August 13, 1891, age 30.

**Summers**, Eld. Elijah (1844): 2. "...somewhere near 80 years of age, died last of March, 1844; a man of much notoriety in early days as a revivalist preacher among the Kentucky Baptists."

**Swincher**, Bro. John (1845): 2–3; Bethany church. "Departed this life on the 18th day of August, 1845, and in the 65th year of his age...an eminently pious man of God, and for about 25 years a member of the Baptist church. At the time of his death, and for many years prior thereto, he was deprived of eye-sight; but filled his seat in the Bethany church, of which he was a member, as constantly as any other member."

**Swincher**, Sis. Mary (1844): 2–3. "...wife of Elder James B. Swincher; her immortal part took its flight on the 1st of September, 1844: she was about 40 years of age; as a member of the church she was exemplary, pious, and faithful in the discharge of every christian duty. In all her domestic relations she was neat and cleanly, a most perfect model of her sex; she died as she lived, in the full assurance of a blessed immortality beyond the grave."

Taflinger, Sis. Mahala (1894): 16; Scaffold Lick church. Died March 1894.

Tate, Sis. Ellen (1896): 6; Hopewell church. Died October 8, 1895, age 84.

Tate, Sis [?]. Jessie (1888): 16; Commiskey church. Died July 20, 1888.

Thomas, Sis. Mary (1892): 11; Zion church. Died December 24, 1891.

**Thompson**, Bro. Henry (1897): 5; Hopewell church. Died June 1897, age 70.

Tibbets, Sis. Nannie (1880): 8; Coffee Creek church.

Tibbits, Bro. J. C. (1891): 15. Served as the clerk of the Coffee Creek association for many years.

Tobias, Sis. Ann Eliza (1890): 16; Marion church. Died March 16, 1890, age 70.

**Tobias**, Bro. C. P. (1891): 15; Scottsburg church. Died May 9, 1891.

**Tobias**, Bro. Elias (1889): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died March 30, 1889, age 83.

Tobias, Dea. Enos (1894): 16; First Marion church. Died June 12, 1894, age 76.

**Tobias**, Bro. John (1890): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died March 15, 1890, age 77 years and 9 months

**Tobias**, Sis. Maria (1885): 7–8; Coffee Creek church. "...a worthy member of long time standing...who died of paralysis, in June last."

Tobias, Sis. Mary (1898): 5; Coffee Creek church. Died December 23, 1897.

Tobias, Sis. Mary (1899): 6; Lancaster church. Died September 15, 1898, age 54.

Tobias, Sis. Mary E. (1896): 6; Lick Branch church. Died April 20, 1896.

Tobias, Sis. Sally (1895): 12; Coffee Creek church. Died February 18, 1895, age 84.

**Tobias**, Sis. Sarah (1889): 16; Marion church. Died March 15, 1889, age 34.

**Tobias**, Bro [?]. Simeon (1900): 5; Lick Branch church. Died September 22, 1899, age 67.

**Tobias**, Bro. Travanian (1896): 6; Bethany church. Died December 2, 1895, age 50.

Toombs, Sis. Alabama (1885): 7; Scaffold Lick church.

Townsend, Bro. Avery (1894): 16; Bethany church. Died December 24, 1893.

Turner, Bro. Archbald (1893): 8; New Prospect church. Died December 25, 1892, age 72.

Underwood, Bro. John (1893): 8; Hopewell church. Died January 1893, age 62.

Underwood, Sis. Zerelda (1895): 12; Hopewell church. Died November 17, 1894, age 76.

VanCleve, Dea. (1876): 7; Lancaster church.

Vawter, Eld. Jesse (1838): 3–4. "He was pre-eminently useful in the Ministry, and done much to advance the Messiah's kingdom here on earth, especially amongst the Baptist Churches, from their first organization in Indiana, but more particularly so in the bound of what was, and is known, as Silver Creek, Coffee Creek, Laughery, Flat Rock, and Madison Associations. He was without doubt, one of the most pious men of his day; and as a doctrinal, practical, and experimental preacher, if not of the first order of talents, his qualifications and ability for Evangelical preaching was far above mediocrity; and as a peace maker, was, perhaps, without his equal in the congregations of which he was a member. His *immortal* part took its flight to join the spirits of 'Just men made perfect,' on the 20th day of March, 1838, in the 83rd years of his age. His remains were interred in the burying ground on Harbert's creek, in Jefferson county by the side of his companion and a deceased daughter, who had fallen asleep before him. The following is extracted from a memorandum written by himself, a short time before his death.

'I was born December the first day, 1755. My parents were (David and Mary Vawter) members of the Episcopal church. I was sprinkled in infancy, and was received as a member of that Church—could read my Bible in my eighth year. At ten years of age had serious thoughts of religion—committed to memory the Lord's

Prayer—would repeat the same morning and evenings, in order to get religion. But concluded religion did not suit young people, and when I was settled in the world, it would be easy to obtain it. In 1774, (being an apprentice,) our work led us 20 miles from my father's, and in the bounds of Baptist preaching. Perhaps in the month of May I went to the first meeting.

The preacher was Thomas Ammons. His text was Job 10 & 15, 'If I be wicked, wo unto me; but if I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head.' The words came home to my heart with such light and power, which made me tremble. I had never felt the like before. I strove to be composed, and not let any person know that I was afflicted, but all in vain: the tears would run....

'I concluded justice would not suffer me to live on the earth. When night appeared, I thought I should be in eternity before morning; and in the morning, that justice would terminate my life before night. One clear morning in July, 1774, I thought I would retire and try to pray once more before I died. When I got to the place I thought I dare not ask for mercy, yet my heart seemed to crave mercy; but I could not see how God could have mercy on me, consistently with his divine perfections. Finally, I concluded my fate was fixed, to go down to ruin forever, and rose up to go to my work. As I arose, a reconciliation took place in my mind. The will of the Lord be done. With this reconciliation I had a view of Jesus and his righteousness. I thought all nature shone with his glory. I could now see how God could have mercy upon poor sinners and be just, and justify him that believeth in Jesus. I did believe he had lived and died for poor sinners, and rose again for their justification; and that I was one of these poor sinners that he came to seek and to save—my soul was full of love. In the month of October our work led me into the bounds of another Baptist Church, called Rapadan, in Culpepper county, Virginia, (but now in Madison county,) to which (on the first Saturday) I offered myself, (a member) was received, and baptized. It was the first Saturday meeting I ever was at. I thought it was the prettiest sight I ever had seen. I could sing, and pray, and exhort, and close meetings for the preachers. On the 29th day of march, 1781, I was married to Elizabeth, daughter of John and Sarah Watts—(the same year moved to North Carolina—1790, moved to Kentucky). In 1799, a revival of religion broke out on the Ohio river. In 1800 it appeared to spread over the whole state—(Kentucky). A number of my neighbors, and four of my children, had obtained a hope in Jesus, which led us to form ourselves into a Church, and build us a meeting house. About this time my mind was exercised about preaching, which soon led to my ordination. We lived her five or six years, in great harmony, at which time I lost my land, and in 1806 moved into Indiana....

'I have this day entered my eightieth year—have been a citizen of four states, viz: Virginia, North Carolina, Kentucky, and Indiana. I have been a member of eight Churches—have, in general, sat under the same doctrines that I first believed—have been at the constitution of twelve Churches—have aided at the ordination of eight Ministers—have baptized persons in eighteen Churches, the highest number at any one time was eighteen, the greatest number in any one Church was one hundred and twenty-seven. I have been at the formation of three associations—have served as Moderator twenty-three years in succession (Silver Creek Association from 1814 to 1826; Coffee Creek from 1827 to 1832; Madison from 1832 to 1835, each year inclusive). I have solemnized, perhaps, little short of two hundred marriages. In the year 1834 I attended four Associations. In the year 1835 I attended three Associations, and have baptized three persons this year. 1836 I was at Coffee Creek, also was at Madison Association, but was very feeble. 1837 I was at Madison Association, and was very feeble. ""

Wainscott, Bro. Louis (1880): 8; Coffee Creek church.

Wainscott, Sis. Minnie (1900): 5; Coffee Creek church. Died February 17, 1900, age 22.

Wakefield, Sis. Sarah (1894): 16; Hopewell church. Died June 4, 1894, age 66.

Walker, Sis. Polly (1900): 5; Lick Branch church. Died July 23, 1900, age 67.

**Wallace**, Dea. James (1868): 5–6. "...was born in Georgetown, Ky., Sept. 1st, 1804. His parents, who were members of the Baptist Church, removed with their family to Hunter's Bottom, Gallatin County, (now Carroll), Ky., in the year 1815, where his father John Wallace died in 1829.

"He was married to Mary Morris, in December, 1826, by whom he raised five sons, four of whom survive him. He removed with his mother and family to the farm in Jefferson County, Ind., on the 15th day of November, 1836, on which he lived until his death, which took place on the 13th day of May, 1868. He became interest on the subject of religion at a protracted meeting held at Middle Fork Church, in June, 1838, by Elders Thomas Hill and William Wallace. He was very deeply affected on account of his sins, and at times, almost ready to despair of obtaining mercy. After several week's of prayer and reading of the Bible, he was enabled, by faith, to contemplate Christ as a Savior of poor sinners. His soul embraced him as HIS Savior. His burden was removed and his glad soul was filled with praise to his Redeemer for his pardoning mercy; and in his own language, a short time before his death: 'I have never doubted from that time to this.' He, together with his Bro. John Wallace, united with the Baptist Church, at Hopewell, and were baptized by their brother, Eld. William Wallace, on the first Sabbath in Aug., 1838, his companion having united with the church in March, 1837. He was ordained as Deacon of the church in 1845, which office he filled until his death. He was, for several years, Treasurer of the Domestic Mission Board of the Coffee Creek Association. In reference to his religious character, it may be truly said, that an unwavering devotion to the cause of Christ, might be said to be a fixed principle from his first connection with the church. He usually examined, with care, the grounds of his faith before deciding, and hence he rarely had occasion to change his opinion.

Although a firm and unyielding advocate of Baptist principles, he was not illiberal or selfish, but was ever ready to join in worship with all evangelical christians. His punctuality in religion was rarely equaled, having never been absent from a single church meeting for 30 years, except from personal sickness. The mind and spirit of Jesus was remarkably exhibited in his life. Gentleness and kindness were manifested to all with whom he associated, and his heart was deeply interested at all times for the prosperity of the church. He could truthfully say, 'For her my prayers ascend.'

"He was hospitable to a fault, and his house was especially the home of the minister, and together with his companion, who survives him, sympathized deeply with the servant of God, making their house his home, and were ever ready to assist him by their prayers and contributions in his labors of love.

"During the last few years of his life, he was gradually declining in health, but while his bodily strength was failing, his faith and hope grew stronger in the Lord. For the last eight months, it was one continued scene of joy and peace in view of his release from earth to share in the joys of his Lord in Heaven. Again and again he would remark, 'This sweet peace continues with me. There is not a cloud that passes across my mind.'

"Thus a good man has passed away, full of faith and the Holy Spirit. He lived to see his sons all give their hearts to Christ, and unite with the church at Hopewell, and thus having filled up the measure of his usefulness, he died as he lived, ca[l]mly and peacefully, in hope of a Blessed Immortality."

**Wallace**, Bro. James (1884): 10; Bethany church. "...joined the church when 21 years of age. He died October 10, 1883, aged 34. He passed away praying, and we trust is now praising his Redeemer."

Walton, Dea. Dudley (1879): 12; Lick Branch church. "...a man full of faith and good works."

Walton, Bro. Elias (1891): 15; Hopewell church. Died August 27, 1891, age 85.

**Wardle**, Sis. Margaret O. (1885): 8; Kimberlin Creek church. She "died September 2, 1885, aged about 55. She was loved by all who knew her and bore her sufferings with Christian patience."

Weir, Sis. Eliza A. (1899): 6; Scottsburg church. Died June 20, 1899, age 45.

Wells, Sis. (1879): 12; Lick Branch church.

West, Sis. (1886): 5; Elizabeth church. Died April 1886, age 99.

West, Sis. Ann (1888): 16; Elizabeth church.

West, Sis. Eva (1886): 5; Freedom church. Died April 1886, age 32.

West, Bro. Thomas (1888): 16; Elizabeth church.

Whitefield, Bro. Jacob (1894): 16; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died July 1894.

Whitlach, Sis. Catherine (1900): 5; Newland's Creek church. Died December 1899.

Whitzel, Bro. Iven (1900): 5; First Marion church. Died September 2, 1899, age 25.

Wiggim, Sis. Nora (1893): 8; Coffee Creek church. Died September 1, 1892, age 39.

Wilhelm, Bro. George [Geo.] (1899): 6; New Prospect church. Died January 1899, age 81.

Williams, Sis. Jane (1898): 5; Newlands Creek church. Died August 1898, age 20.

Williamson, Sis. Clara (1899): 6; Lick Branch church. Died November 17, 1898, age 26.

Williamson, Sis. Maud (1900): 5; Lancaster church. Died December 1, 1899.

Williamson, Sis. Maud (1900): 5; Lick Branch church. Died December 2, 1899, age 18.

Wilson, Bro. J. C. (1894): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died May 21, 1894.

**Wood**, Bro. Andrew (1855): 5. "...who departed this life on the 31st day of January, 1855, aged fifty-eight years. He had acted as the faithful Secretary of our Executive Mission board from its first organization."

Wood, Sis. Christina (1894): 16; Bethany church. Died March 31, 1894, age 84.

Woodruff, Sis. (1886): 5; Elizabeth church. Age 71.

Woodward, Bro. David (1882): 7; White River church. Died April 1882.

Wordal, Bro. Thomas (1896): 6; Kimberlin [Creek?] church. Died January 31, 1896.

Wright, Sis. Herilla (1889): 16; Coffee Creek church. Died September 15, 1888, age 35.

Wyne, Sis. Minnie (1894): 16; Hopewell church. Died October 11, 1893, age 19.

Yaryen, Bro. Ira I. (1893): 8; New Providence church. Died August 2, 1893, age 66.

**Young**, Eld. Simeon G. (1850): 2. Died August 28, 1850, 36 years old. "He was ordained December 25, 1849. He was a useful preacher and much beloved. He left a wife, seven children, brethren and friends, who feel the loss."

Zoleman, Sis. Mary (1896): 6; Newland's Creek church. Died October 16, 1895, age 22.

### APPENDIX: BAPTIST TITLES AND TITLE ABBREVIATIONS

Brother (Bro.) or Sister (Sis.): Customary designation for laypeople.

**Deacon (Dea.)**: Layperson ordained to give spiritual leadership and assist the pastor in a congregation.

**Doctor of Divinity (DD)**: Honorary academic degree granted by a college or university to recognize years of excellent service in the ministry and, usually, in that institution. Most nineteenth-century Baptist pastors with a doctorate possessed this degree.

**Doctor of Theology (ThD)**: Four-year academic degree granted by a seminary or university; largely replaced today by Doctor of Ministry (DMin) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

**Elder (Eld.)**: Ordained ministers or pastors; generally synonymous with Reverend (Rev.), although Primitive Baptists used the title of Elder exclusively.

**Licentiate** (Lic.): Individual in a preparatory stage to ordination.

**Messenger**: Individual appointed to represent his home church in an associational meeting (hence the church that a messenger is listed with in associational meeting minutes is his home church).

**Missionary**: Individual appointed to serve as pastor, evangelist, and/or to start new churches. If serving as pastor, church records list individual as such, and missionary status is discerned from missionary and executive board reports and denominational proceeding minutes.

**Pastor**: Individual who serves a local church by preaching, administration, and/or counseling. Before 1900 most pastors served one to four churches simultaneously, and their services were usually limited to preaching.

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