

MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATION COUNCIL FOR THE  
GETHSEMANE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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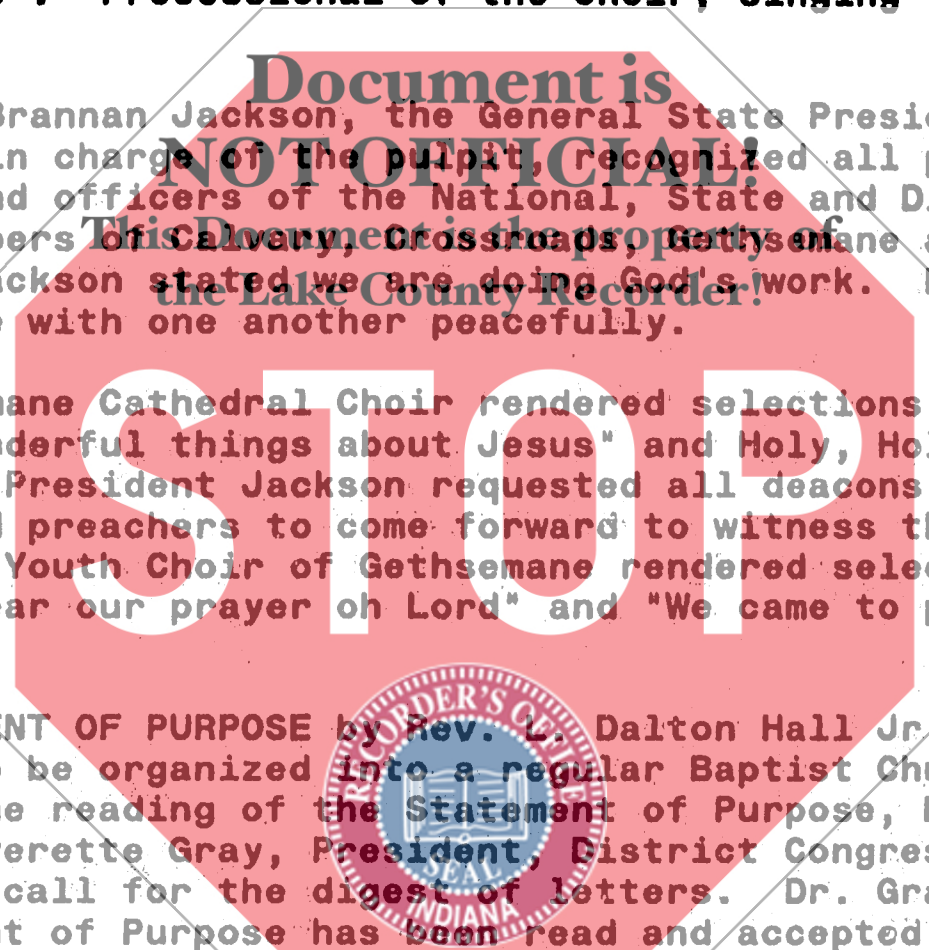
The Organizational Council, THE ORIGINAL GENERAL MISSIONARY BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF INDIANA, INCORPORATED, for the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church, held at the Koinonia Missionary Baptist Church, 510 West 13th Avenue, Gary, Indiana, where Rev. Raymond McDonald is Pastor. Devotional services consisted of Deacon Sylvester Mabone, New Shiloh, Deacon Napoleon Jones of Koinonia; Deacon B. M. Connor, Gethsemane; Song, "Come and go with me to my Father's house", scripture by Deacon Jones, Psalms 27: 1-5 verses; Hymn, "I Love the Lord he heard my cry", prayer by Deacon Connor. Closing song, "Shine on me". Processional of the Choir, singing "Walk in the light".

Dr. F. Brannan Jackson, the General State President, presiding and in charge of the pulpit, recognized all pastors, preachers and officers of the National, State and District as well as members of Calvary, Crossroads, Gethsemane and visitors. President Jackson stated we are doing God's work. Peaceful co-existence with one another peacefully.

Gethsemane Cathedral Choir rendered selections entitled, "So many wonderful things about Jesus" and Holy, Holy, Lord almighty". President Jackson requested all deacons, trustees, pastors, and preachers to come forward to witness this event. The Youth Choir of Gethsemane rendered selections entitled "Hear our prayer oh Lord" and "We came to praise the Lord".

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE by Rev. L. Dalton Hall Jr., who requested to be organized into a regular Baptist Church. Following the reading of the Statement of Purpose, Dr. Jackson asked Dr. Everette Gray, President, District Congress, to come forward and call for the digest of letters. Dr. Gray stated the Statement of Purpose has been read and accepted, we now call the seven persons forward who desire to organize a Church. He requested all missionary workers from the Original General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Indiana, Inc., to come forward and sit with our State Women's President, Mrs. Mary Alice Lee. Dr. Gray stated in order for this to be done properly, the letters of those persons who are desirous of organizing a Church should be read by the Secretary of the accredited Association's certified council, and then received publicly.

Dr. Everette Gray introduced Sis. Marilyn Fondren, Administrative Assistant to our General State President, the letters were presented and she read the seven letters from the following: Sis. Florence Collins - Bro. B. M. Connor  
Sis. Odell Guster - Bro. Arthur Gray



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Bro. Fatima Lott

Dr. Everette Gray said the council has heard the request (letters from these people) who are desirous to organizing a Baptist Church. It was motioned by Bro. Arthur Gray and seconded by Bro. Fatima Lott that the persons desirous to organize a Church be given that right so the Council can proceed with the business of organizing the Church. Motion so carried.

President Jackson presiding stated the first officer of any Missionary Baptist Church is the Church Clerk. It was motioned by Bro. Arthur Gray and seconded by Bro. B.M. Connor to accept Sis. Odell Guster as the first Church Clerk of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church. Motion so carried.

A motion to name the Church **THE GETHSEMANE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH** was made by Bro. B. M. Connor and seconded by Bro. Arthur Gray. The motion was carried. The name of the Church is now **THE GETHSEMANE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.**

The doors of the Church was opened for reception of members. (Head count by Rev. Prince and Sis. Fondren) Fifty-three (53) people joined the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church. It was motioned by Sis. Florence Collins and seconded by Bro. B. M. Connors that we accept these new members of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church. The motion was carried.

President Jackson stated "now that the Church is organized we need a Pastor for the Church". A motion to elect Rev. L. Dalton Hall Jr., as Pastor was made by Bro. Arthur Gray and seconded by Bro. B.M. Connor. The motion was carried. The Pastor of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church is now **REV. L. DALTON HALL JR.**

1. Rev. Floyd E. Dumas, Pastor, Metropolitan Baptist Church, representing the pastors accepted the official organization of the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church.
2. Deacon Claude Thomas, Calvary, accepted the official organization of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church on behalf of all officers.
3. Rev. Everette Gray, District Congress President, and representing the Association accepts the new birth of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church.
4. Mrs. Mary Alice Lee, State Women President, accepted the official organization of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church on behalf of all missionary Women of The Original General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Indiana, Incorporated.

5. Mrs. Mildred Scurlock, representing the District Association and being the Youth Director accepted the official organization of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church.
6. Bro. Napoleon Jones, Chairman, Deacon Board of Koinonia Baptist Church accepted the organization of the Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church and stated this was truly a rewarding experience that was witnessed here, and he is wishing Rev. Hall and the Gethsemane's Church family the best.

Selections by Rev. Steven Morris. The offertory for the Church was \$237.00 and for the speaker, \$137.21. Rev. James Montgomery, Pastor of New Tabernacle Baptist Church introduced the speaker of the hour: Rev. Robert Buckingham, Pastor of Crossroad Missionary Baptist Church and 2nd Vice Moderator of the Northern Indiana Missionary Baptist Educational District Association.

The Combined Singing Group of Crossroad Missionary Baptist Church sang two (2) selections, "Safe in his arms" and "Before I take it back, I'll add to it". Pastor Buckingham followed with prayer and recognizing all officials, Pastors, Ministers and visitors. Rev. Buckingham using Hebrew 11: 1st verse as his scripture, and for his subject: "Keep the Faith". A very inspiring message was delivered. Invitation to Christian Discipleship was extended. Selection by Crossroads, entitled, "If I could just hold out".

President Jackson presiding, requested that everyone stand for the presentation of Rev. L. Dalton Hall Jr., the Pastor of Gethsemane Missionary Baptist Church. Rev. Hall made inspiring remarks to all Pastors, Ministers and Churches present for their participation in this organization service. Special thanks to the host Pastor, Rev. Raymond McDonald, for opening up his Church for this occasion. He also recognized New Shiloh's members for being there. President Jackson presented Rev. Buckingham for comments, remarks and the benediction. Adjournment at 7:52 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

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| Rev. F. Brannan Jackson | Rev. Everette Gray      |
| Rev. Floyd E. Dumas     | Rev. Robert Buckingham  |
| Rev. James Montgomery   | Rev. Marion Johnson Jr. |
| Rev. Thurman Dillard    | Rev. Steven Morris      |
| Rev. L. Dalton Hall Jr. | Rev. Raymond McDonald   |
| Rev. Harold L. Prince   | Rev. Jones              |
| Mrs. Marilyn J. Fondren | Mrs. Mary Alice Lee     |
| Mrs. Jessie Boyd        | Mrs. Mildred Scurlock   |
| Mrs. Doris Jackson      | Rev. Keith Jackson      |
| Bro. Cleveland Bowman   | Mrs. Luretha Bowman     |

Rev. Raymond McDonald recorded this service and it will be available on video tape.



# The Original General Missionary Baptist State Convention of Indiana, Inc.

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2400 VIRGINIA ST. • GARY, INDIANA 46407

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DR. F. BRANNAN JACKSON

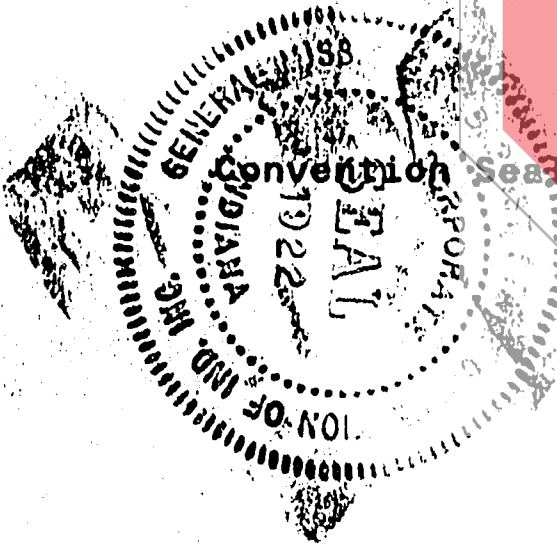
Mrs. Marilyn Fondren and Rev. Harold L. Prince, Recorders  
for the ORIGINAL GENERAL MISSIONARY BAPTIST STATE  
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REV. ROLAND WOODS, GENERAL SECRETARY

REV. (DR.) F. BRANNAN JACKSON, GENERAL STATE PRESIDENT  
OF THE ORIGINAL GENERAL MISSIONARY BAPTIST STATE  
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*Mrs. Marilyn Fondren*      *Rev. Harold L. Prince*  
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Your kindly consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bro. B.M. Connor

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Prayerfully submitted,

Bro. Dennis Tillman



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Bro. Arthur Gray

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Prayerfully yours,

Sister Florence Collins





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Sister Odell Guster

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Bro. Fatima Lott

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