

C Cuivre-Siloam Regular Baptist Association, Records, 1822-1922  
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#### INTRODUCTION

The records of Cuivre-Siloam Regular Baptist Church Association contain meeting minutes, which also include some church history, and some brief biographies of some of the church elders.

#### DONOR INFORMATION

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#### INSTITUTIONAL SKETCH

The Cuivre-Siloam Regular Baptist Association was constituted at the meeting house called Stout's Settlement, in Lincoln County, Missouri, on May 25, 1822. The eight churches uniting in the constitution were Bear Creek, Stout's Settlement, McCoy's Creek, Upper Cuivre, Femmorage, Peno, Friendship and St. Charles.

At the annual meeting of the Association in June 1823, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, called Ramsey's Creek, joined, and at this meeting, the Association decided to divide itself. The Reno, Stout's Settlement and Ramsey's Creek churches were in the division that left the Cuivre Association. In October 1823, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, called Sulphur Lick, joined the Association followed in October 1824, by the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, called Troy; in October 1825, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called Antioch; October 1828, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called Stout's Settlement again joined; October 1829, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called South Bear Creek; October 1831, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called Bryant's Creek and Salem, and at the same time the church called Stout's Settlement reported to the Association that their name had been changed to Union.

In September of 1833, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called Macedonia joined the Association and also during this time the Union Church petitioned for a letter of dismissal, which was granted. In 1835, the Upper Cuivre church dissolved. In June 1836, the Troy church reported to the Association that she had changed her name to Sand Run; in 1837 the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called South Bear Creek dissolved; in 1838, the Antioch church dissolved. Also in 1838 the Association dropped from her correspondence the Providence church, as a result of her neglecting to represent herself in the Association for several years past. In June 1839 the Association dropped from her fellowship the Salem church. Also in June 1839, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ called Little Hope joined the Association, and in June of 1842, the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, called Sugar Creek also joined with a number of other churches changing their names, leaving the Association, and combining with other churches through 1847.

The Association met yearly but was disrupted throughout the 1880s by some ministers introducing new doctrines and practices which the Association was not in agreement with, resulting in a number of different factions. This left about eight churches

which enjoyed a period of relative peace. Another schism broke out in 1915, continuing to about 1919. The Association continued to have various Baptist churches join, leave, or combine with further name changes into the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The records in this collection end in 1922.

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