

Missionary Committee of the Association of
Pentecostal Churches of America

Miscellaneous, 1905-1906

RESOLUTION

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFERRING WITH BRO GUSTAVUS AUSTIN RE- THE OPENING OF A HOLINESS MISSION IN EAST LYNN FRIENDS CHURCH

RESOLVED that it is the sense of this committee that the Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America should act favorably toward the proposition of taking over the building now belonging to the society of Friends as above mentioned, with a view to opening a gospel Mission, provided suitable financial arrangements can be made.

FURTHERMORE We ascertain from Bro Austin that the property can probably be purchased for \$3000.00, and that he will do his best towards securing a loan on his own responsibility.

A. R. Lewis

W. C. Schurman

L. D. Paavey

;- Committee

West Somerville Mass

April 26 1905.

L. D. Paavey
Secretary.

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Article 3. 1. All property shall be held by the Association in such manner as to be in harmony with the laws of the country.
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Article 4. The officers of the mission shall consist of a Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer, Business Manager, and Medical Missionary.

Duties of Officers.

Article 5. 1. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to have general oversight of the work; to look after the welfare of the mission and to preside at all the business meetings.

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It shall be the duty of the business manager to have general oversight of all temporal interests of the mission, erection of new buildings, repairs, buying, selling and care of stock, and general extension of the business interests of the Mission, after careful consultation and with advice from the superintendent. In all matters of differences of opinion, a majority vote of the mission shall be decisive.

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The duties of the collector shall be to solicit funds for our work in India in such places and at such times as may be designated by vote of the Mission at any regular business meeting or meeting called for that purpose.

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Each Missionary shall have a vote in all business meetings of the Mission.

Accepted and adopted by the Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America Dec. 11th. 1897

H.F. Reynolds, Sec'y.

Amended July 20th. 1904.

C. Howard Davis Sec'y.

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Accepted and Adopted

by the

The Missionary Committee of the
Association of Pentecostal Church of America.

Dec 11th 1897. See minutes.

W. F. Reynolds, Secy

Minutes of H & V Comm.

It moves that in view of certain communications between Bro Hosley & our chairman regarding the propriety of ^{officially} inviting a certain body of christians called the "Holiness Church of Christ" to attend our annual meeting. That we approve the action ^{of letters etc.} of chairman in regard to the matter.

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**HISTORICAL MATERIAL
Nazarene Headquarters**

Agreement between Rev. W. J. Rogers, Mrs. Nora I. Rogers and the Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America.

First. It is clearly understood and agreed t at whatever amount of money out of the one hundred and fifty (\$150.00) dollars which bro. and Sister Rogers have received for passage money as independent missionaries, that can be applied to our work will be gladly turned over to the same.

Second. The salaries of Bro. & Sister Rogers are to be three hundred (\$300.00) dollars per year each. Payable monthly in advance.

Third. Their property in Igatpuri India, (a mission house and land,) to be deeded to the Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America, by Bro. & Sister Rogers as soon as possible after reaching India.

Fourth. We mutually agree that if Bro. & sister Rogers are dismissed from the employ of the committee without their consent before the expiration of five years, after landing in India, the property shall revert to them, but if they become dissatisfied and leave the work without our consent within the above named period the property is to remain ours.

Fifth. It is further agreed that neither of the above named missionaries can make any claim on the Missionary Committee for return passage money to this country, unless they remain in India under our employ five years from date of landing, *unless disabled.*

Sixth. It is further agreed that Bro. & Sister Rogers have the privilege of returning to this country at the expiration of five years.

Seventh. It is understood that Igatpuri is to be their headquarters for this five years.

Signed by, W. J. Rogers

Thomas G. Scott Nora I. Rogers

Howard Lewis

Feb. 1 1906

Secretary of the Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America.

Personally appeared before me
W. J. Rogers, Nora I. Rogers, & Howard Lewis
and acknowledged their signatures.
Thomas G. Scott Notary Public

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June 29, 1905
Buldana, Berar, Ind.

To the members of the Board of
Foreign Missions of the Pentecostal
Churches of America,

Dear Brethren in Christ;—

Owing to the fact that my health is
failing in this climate, and after much prayer, and
waiting before God, I believe it is His will that I
should return home. I therefore resign my position
as Treasurer, Secretary, and Business Manager of the Pente-
costal Mission, of Buldana, India.

I thank you very kindly for all favors, and
pray God's blessing upon each of you.

Yours and His.

James M. Davidson

copy sent R. W. F. L. S. D.

SEP 10 1905

Dear Brother:-

I am instructed by the Missionary Committee to write you as follows in reference to the communication received from you, as a committee we would call your attention to the Minutes of 1905 Page 11 as follows.

"The Committee on New Churches for admission report recommending the People's Pentecostal Church of W. Brooklyn, N.Y. and satisfactory Rev. W. H. Raymond, the pastor, gave a brief account of this church. It was moved and seconded to accept and receive the above church. So Voted."

Yours in Jesus,

C. Lowell Davis

Sec'y Miss. Comm.

TO THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PENTECOSTAL CHURCHES OF AMERICA, GREETING:---

It is with reluctance and a deep sense of grief that we report to you (as we feel it is right that we should,) the facts in relation to the differences which have arisen in the People's Pentecostal Church of West Brooklyn in the past few months. This letter is written in obedience to a vote of the Official Board of said church at our regular meeting held June 19th 1905. We refrain from reciting the incidents in detail which cover a period of five months prior to February of the present year, but suffice by saying that certain statements and actions indulged in by the then pastor Rev. W. H. Raymond, both in Official Board, Church and Public Meetings, and in private conversation with members of our church and others, completely destroyed the confidence and esteem which had hitherto been accorded him by his elders, and other officials and members of the church, and because they could not conscientiously and therefore did not continue to endorse him and his actions, he sought in every way he could, seemingly, to influence as many as he could to stand with him, and planned to secure complete control of the church building and property contained therein, in which not alone the members of the church and Sunday school were interested, but many of the people in the neighborhood.

Bro. O. J. Copeland was instrumental in starting the Pentecostal work here, and he personally rented the chapel and paid the rent and the owner always looked to him for it and when the mission or church or Sunday school had money, to apply on rent it was paid to Bro. Copeland.

This arrangement continued until April last, when the pastor and the newly elected treasurer, Wm. Cornell went to the owner and told her to receive no more money from Mr. Copeland, but to look to the church for her rent. The owner, Mrs. Annie C. Raymond thought this a strange proceeding, and called on Mr. Copeland and related the facts and tendered him the further rental of the premises if he wished, which he accepted and took lease for a year, the church continuing to pay rent to him as before. His scheme to control being thwarted, the pastor looked about for other quarters. Having found a vacant store, he on Thursday evening, May 25th, contrary to the accepted manual of the church, asked the members present at a religious meeting that evening, to remain after the service, and (none but the pastors friends were present,) they held what they called a business meeting of the church which was illegally called and constituted according to the manual of the church. At this meeting it was voted that the church move to 1202 - 38th St., and notice of such action was posted on the church, to take place after the 28th of May which was Sunday. Some of the members and citizens not approving of this arrangement, had a suspicion that it was the purpose of the pastor and his followers to strip the place of all property regardless of the wishes of those members and friends who were opposed to such proceedings and who certainly had an equal interest in the welfare of the church and in the property, and as a matter of fact, had paid much more towards the purchase of the same than the withdrawers. Legal advice of a christian lawyer was sought and he advised us to put a new lock on the

door and thus prevent their moving the goods away, and he prepared a letter, stating the position and claim of the remaining members of the church and others interested and setting forth a plan for a fair and honest division of the property with those who desired to withdraw. This letter was signed by the remaining seven members and persons interested in the property and a copy was served on the withdrawers through treasurer Cornell. Ignoring this letter, on memorial day May 30th, the pastor and others of the withdrawers broke into the chapel and removed the most valuable of the property first and would doubtless have stripped the place of everything, had we not appeared on the scene and told them they were taking things which were not theirs and that they would be held to answer in court for their actions. They took the piano which was paid for very largely by the contributions of the children of the Sunday school and their friends, and more than half the purchase price was paid before W.H. Raymond became at all interested in the church, receipts for which are in our possession. They took all library and singing books the library case, the organ and all Sunday school supplies. The Sunday school banners, of which both materials, and labor making, painting etc. were furnished by members who remain and they were designed for use in this place, but they were lugged off as before stated. The newest banner was made and donated by the Superintendent, O.J. Copeland, to be used in the school of which he was Supt. The school continues in the same place, but the banner is gone. Sunday school supplies had recently been purchased by the Supt. for which the school had not paid but they went with the other things.

The librarian had borrowed of the Supt. his numbering stamp and ink pad to use on the books, that went with the rest. They took a small table and pulpit scarf which were provided by Sister Mock who remains with us, they also took dishes which never belonged to the church but which were left there for their use. They literally tore the carpet and matting from the floor and we have been told they threw it in their cellar. They took screen doors made by Bro. Rowe which they could not possibly find use for in their new place. They have been advised of their wrong doing, but pay no heed to suggestions or demands. We feel we have a clear case of larceny against the leaders in the withdrawing party, and have been advised by some to prosecute them and press our case.

We however have decided we had better suffer wrong than do wrong, and we will not go to law in the matter.

The seven members remaining at once met pursuant to call and prayed over the matter and at once we were reinforced by eight persons uniting with us as soon as it was known that pastor Raymond had left. Vacancies on the official board were filled and regular services have been held since, and the attendance has been fully equal to what it was before. God has been manifestly present at every service, and the old time spirit of power and harmony has returned. Praise the Lord. Our Sunday school was not as badly depleted as the church membership, as more than half remained, and new ones came in so that our attendance is fully equal to what it was at this time last year. WE CONTINUE THE WORK AND ORGANIZATION. This letter would not have been sent you if the withdrawers were not circulating the report that they were the

Peoples Pentecostal Church of West Brooklyn, and that they were "recognized as such by the "Association"

WE THEREFORE DENY THAT THE PEOPLES PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF WEST BROOKLYN HAS MOVED, AND WE CLAIM AND AFFIRM THAT WE REMAIN AS WE WERE, AND WE ARE THE CHURCH WHICH WAS ADMITTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION OF PENTECOSTAL CHURCHES OF AMERICA AT THEIR LAST ANNUAL MEETING AT MALDEN, MASS.

God has answered prayer by sifting out those who were a detriment and hindrance to the work, and we are sorry to say they took with them some who were true and clean but who were misguided, and we hope and pray ^{that such} they may be led to see the situation in its true light, and that they will return home.

We have not a doubt that God will continue to bless and give us prosperity. In view of the facts herein stated, and being familiar with paralel cases which have been decided in the civil courts, we maintain that in the minds of candid, unbiased christian men, in the opinions of legal authorities, and in the sight of our God whom we love and serve, that we are in the right in this matter, and while it is true we opposed on what we deemed good and sufficient grounds the making of application to the "Association" for membership, yet the application was made and accepted and our church was received into the Association, therefore we accept the verdict and take our place and shall appreciate the recognition and fellowship of the Association, and its visibble representatives, The Missionary Committee of the Association of Pentecostal Churches of America.

The PEOPLES PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF WEST BROOKLYN
40th St. & Ft. Hamilton Ave?

Ralph Copeland Clerk.

by

Benjamin Rowd Elder.

Pentecostal Church of America - Nevada

212 OXFORD ST., PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Pentecostal Churches of America

1906 Bergen St. Brooklyn N.Y. Jan. 10th. 1906 .

Mrs. Cook & Sons-

Dear Sirs-:

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Nazarene Headquarters**

This is to certify that Rev. M. D. Wood, Mrs. Anna Matlack wood and lillian M. sprague are no longer in the employ of the Missionary Committee of Pentecostal Churches of America.

And we are not responsible for any bills they may ~~incur~~ incur, or any business they may transact.

Mo. Leighton S. Tracey has been put in charge of our mission work at Buldana Berer India. He is our present Treasurer. there.

Rev. W. J. Rogers is to represent us at Igitpuri India.

E. Howard Lewis

Secretary,

H. A. Brown

Treasurer.

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212 OXFORD ST., PROVIDENCE, R. I.

1906 Bergen St. Brooklyn N.Y. Feb. 1st.

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To Thomas Cook & Son, Bombay India.

This letter is to introduce you to the bearer, Rev. W. J. Rogers our representative and Agent at Igatpuri India. You will therefore honor all checks to his order and oblige.

Please also honor Mr. Leighton S. Tracey Treasurer of our mission at Buldana India.

Thanking you for past favors, yours truly,

Edward Lewis

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July 11 1904

Copy of deed for Institute - (Farm)

Purchaser; The Superintendent on behalf of The Pentecostal
 Mission in America. The Supt. Mr M. D. Wood, and James M. Davidson
 The Treasurer, and W. L. S. Tracy, Assistant, in the Pentecostal Mis-
 sion, in India, living in Buldana, Talug, Chikchli, Dis. Buldana,
 Saller; Sayyad Nur; fathers name, Sayyad Mann, Kotwall, east
 Mahomedan living in Buldana camp, Talug Chikchli, Dis. Buldana,

Suru fasaly year 1314, I declare in this return sale
 document - that in the presence of the Buldana Sub. Registrar, I
 received from you in cash the amt. of Rupees eight hundred
 (Rs 800-0-0). Government money, I have no complaint about the
 remittance. In return of these Rupees, I gave you in sale, the
 immovable property, which is a field. I had bought this, from
 Mr. Yadav. Apparao, Kulkarni, Kalker, living in Sagwan, Praganee Deolghat,
 Talug, Chikchli, Dis. Buldana; on the 28th of January 1904. This was
 Registered in the Sub Registrar's office, on the 30th of January 1904, in
 his book. Vol. Part 12, Page 13. ~~Serial~~ Serial No. 27 of 1904, (Survey

No 1 The situation of the field is as follows; - Revenue field,
 No. 73, dimensions 23 Acres, and 29 ginthas, assessment is Rs 17.
 To its north are the boundaries of the Villages, of Yelgawon and Su
 kalkhed, To the south - Survey Nos. 74 & 75, To the West No. 72, To the
 North the boundary of Buldana. The plot in the above mentioned
 boundaries, with the crops, sowed in it this year, and with all the
 trees standing in it, has been sold to you by me. The Khate of
 the said field, is in the name of Mr Sumpat Patel, of Sagwan,

The above mentioned ~~that~~ immovable property with its standing crops, I have sold you for Rs 800, (rupees eight hundred) and given it into your possession. You and your descendants (successors) can use it. On the said immovable property and on the crops standing in it there is no right either of mine or of my heirs. If this immovable property be found mortgaged to some one or sold to some one the whole responsibility of that will remain on me. The remittance of the rupees I have received before the Sub Registrar. There is no complaint regarding it. I have given ~~it~~ to you, this document in writing with my complete willingness and full sensibility without taking any intoxicating drink.

Dated 23rd Aug. 1904.

Writer; - Bulvant Anand, application writer
Court, Buldana

Witness - E

1. Morshwas Bulvant Kutkerni
living in Maoje Bhadole, now at Buldana.

2. Tulsiram Balaji Teli
living in Maoje Bhadole, now at Buldana

Signature Sayyad Nur, father's name
Sayyad Manner, Kotwal, living in Buldana
His own signature has been done in Urdu characters

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Serial number 700. Price Rs 5. 190
 Sayyad Sur, father's name Sayyad Mannu
 Kotnal, living in Buldana, Taluk Chickli. Dated
 23rd Aug. 1904.

Bulvant Krishna vendor
 Buldana

The above man wanted ~~a~~ ^{one} stamp worth Rs 5, but it
 was not on my stock today and so I have given him
 another stamp No. 701 worth Rs. 3. and thus made the
 sum of Rs 8. in full. Bulvant Krishna, vendor, Buldana.

Registration Fee	Rs 3-4
Copying Fee	" -14
	<u>Rs 4-2</u>

Serial No. 272
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This document was brought by Sayyad Sur,
 father's name Sayyad Mannu, Kotnal, at 2-45 P.M.
 on the 23rd Aug. 1904 in the office of the Sub Registrar
 of Sub District in the Buldana District.

Ganesh Sakharani
 Sub Registrar

Sayyad Sur, father's name
 Sayyad Mannu, Kotnal.

This signature is made in Urdu letters

Sayyad Amir, Father's name Sayyad Mannu, Musalman
Occupation Farmer living in Buldana, Taluk Chickli
District Buldana, acknowledges to have executed
This document and to have received Rs 500. in return
in the presence of The Registering officer. Mr. Krisharaji
Ghanasham, Brahmin, occupation, patel, on behalf
of government, living in Sagwan, Taluk Chickli, Dist.
Buldana, convinces the registering officer that he
knows him very well.

Dated 23rd Aug. 1904

Krisharaji Ghanasham, patel (self signed)

Sayyad Amir, Father's name
Sayyad Mannu, Kotwal.
In Order the same.

Ganesh Sakharam
Sub Registrar



Stamp
Registrar's office Buldana

Serial No. 701

Sayyad Amir, Father's name Sayyad Mannu Kotwal
Caste mohammedan, living in Buldana, Taluk Chickli
Dated Aug 23rd 1904. Balaram Krishna, vendor
Buldana.

This document has been registered today the 23rd Aug.
1904 in Book No. 1, part 12, page 318, serial No. 272
of 1904 Ganesh Sakharam
Sub Registrar

Stamp of
Sub Registrar's
Office
Buldana