

Covenant meeting January 4, **1834**. After reading the covenant and articles of faith the church heard the relation of the following persons who were received as candidates for baptism. Wealthy **Webster**, Mrs. Charlotte **Story**, Benjamin **Sweet**, Joel **Parker** Jr., Arunah R. **Buck**, Ebenezer **Shepard**, Justus **Smith**, Hiram **Patterson**, Mrs. Sibbill **Lock**, Thos. G. **Abell** and Rhoda his wife, and received by letter Brethren Joseph **Sweet** and Sister Sally **Sweet** and on Sunday at noon Brothers B. **Sweet**, **Parker**, A.R. **Buck**, E. **Shepard** & H. **Patterson** and Sisters W. **Webster**, **Story** and **Lock** were baptized by Elder **Cole** and received into the Church.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

At a special Chh. meeting 7th January **1834** the Church heard the relation of Harriet **Webster**, Nancy **Norcutt**, John **Saxton**, Fidelia **Webster**, Lois **Norton**, Lavina **Scott**, Amelia **Webster**, and A. Warren **Young**, who were received as candidates for baptism and on Saturday January 11th, the following persons were received as candidates for baptism, and on Saturday January 11th the following persons were received as candidates for baptism, viz. William **Bond**, Elisha E. **Case**, Harvey **Meeder**, Charles S. **Sanford**, Edwin **Loomis**, Emilius **Davis**, Demmy **Hawkes**, Sabrina **Shumway**, Miriam **Brown**, Amanda **Eaton**, Jane Osborn, Julia Ann Forbes, Ester Webster, and Sarah Crosby and on Sunday morning the Church heard the relation of Avis **Walker**, Mary **Walker**, and Hannah **Smith** who were received as candidates for baptism, and at noon Sunday January 12th the following candidates were baptized and received into the church. John **Saxton**, E. **Davis**, Chas. S. **Sanford**, H. **Meeder**, E.E. **Case**, E. **Loomis**, S. **Crosby**, J. A. **Forbes**. J **Osborn**, M. **Brown**, H. **Smith**, S. S. **Shumway**, A. **Walker**, M. **Walker**, H. **Webster**.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

At a special church meeting 18th January **1834** the church heard the relation of Chester **Davison**, Jemima **Gear**, Mira **Parker** and Fanny **Abell** who were received as candidates for baptism and on Sunday morning January 19th heard the relation of Nancy **Walker**. Same day at noon Thomas G. **Abell**, Rhoda **Abell**, Demmy **Hawkes**, Jemima **Gear**, Nancy **Walker**, Lavina **Scott**, Amanda **Eaton** and Mira **Parker** were baptized and received into the church.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Special church meeting 25 January **1834**. Meeting opened as usual and after reading the Covenant and Articles heard the relation of Benjamin **Webster**, Rosamond **Randall**, and Catherine **Morian** who were received as candidates for baptism.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

Covenant meeting 2 February **1834**. After reviewing Covenant and reading the Articles of Faith and practice the church heard the relation of George C. **Osborn**, Ira S. **Nichols**, Hanson **Bailey**, Mary **Nichols** and Lorena **Davison** who received as candidates for baptism. Brother Farring **Willson** presented a letter from the first Baptist church in Medina and was received. On motion resolved unanimously that the church have no other feelings towards Sister Mercy **Baldwin**, than the fullest fellowship and Christian kindness. Sunday 3 February at noon the following candidates were baptized and received in the church. Viz. Chester **Davison** and Lorena his wife, Wm. **Bond**, I. **Nichols**, Alanson **Bailey**, Benjamin **Webster**, A.W. **Young**, Esther **Webster**, Amelia **Webster**, Fidelia **Webster**, Mary **Nichols** and Rosamond **Randal**.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Special church meeting 9 February **1834**. The church heard the relation of Adams **Buck** who was received as a candidate for baptism. Sunday 24 February church voted letters to Elder **King** and family and Brother Farring **Wilson**.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

Sunday March 9th the church heard the relation of Lodemia **Chapel** who was received as a candidate and at noon Elder **Cole** baptized Adams **Buck**, Lodemia **Chapel**, and Lois **Norton** who were received the same day into the church.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

March 22nd special church meeting. Brother Phineas **Nichols** and Esther his wife requested to take up their walk with the church. Voted that this church consider Brother and Sister **Nichols** as members of this

church. Sister Betsey **Hull** requested to resume her place in the church. Voted that we welcome her return. Elder **Cole** having retired, Deacon **Webster** chosen chairman for the remainder of the meeting. On motion resolved that we invite Elder **Cole** to preach to us another year. Appointed Brethren **Abell**, **Shumway**, and **Buck** a committee to inform Elder **Cole** of the wishes of the church, who visited Elder **Cole** and returned, informed the church that he wishes to have the old subscriptions settled that he may know what it costs him to support his family. On motion voted that the church visit every member of the church and learn what they will give for preaching the coming year.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Covenant meeting 5 April 1834. After the usual exercises the church heard the relation of Lewis M. **Walker**, Nathan **Wood, Jr.** and Lucinda **Walker** who were received as candidates for baptism and Sunday April 6th at noon they were baptized and received into the fellowship of the church.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Sunday 20th Church voted letters of dismission to Sisters Lovilla **Gardner** and Betsey **Hull** and on Sunday 27th April church voted a letter of dismission to Sister Julia **Story**.

Covenant meeting May 3rd. Church heard the relation of Mary **Underhill** who was received as a candidate. Voted letters of dismission to Brother and Sister **Allen** and Brother Salmon **Morton**. On motion the following preamble and resolution were adopted.

Whereas the Canadaway church located at Laona has requested to know whether this church will receive letters from that body. Resolved that this church are in fellowship with and will as freely receive letters from the Canadaway church as from any other church of the denomination.

Mary **Underhill** and G. C. **Osborn** baptized May 4.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Sunday May 11th. Voted a letter of dismission to Sister Sarah **Clark**. A letter from the church in Erie PA requesting a council. Voted that Elder **Cole** and Brethren P. L. **Shephard** and A. **Young** be delegates. Sunday 18 May. A letter presented from the church in Napoli. Voted that Elders **Cole**, **Handy** and **Johnson** be delegates. Voted letters of dismission to Sisters Philinda and Sally **Warren**.

Covenant meeting in June. Postponed one week. Elder **Cole** absent. Held June 7. After the usual exercises resolved the situation of Julia Ann **Morian**. Received and baptized June 8.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

Covenant meeting July 5th. After the usual exercises the church heard the relation of Alexander **King Jr.** and Uriah E. **Allen** who were received as candidates. Voted a letter of dismission to Brother Thos. L. **Somerton**. Sister Esther **Smith** presented a letter from the church in Yates and was received.

Sunday 6 July, the above named candidates were baptized and received into the church. Voted a letter of dismission to Sisters Amanda **Walker** (formerly **Sage**). Appointed a special church meeting for Tuesday next.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

Tuesday 8th July. Special church meeting. Chose Elder **Handy**, Moderator. Voted a letter of dismission to Sister Betsey B. **Sage**. Voted that this church unite with the churches of Portland, Dunkirk, and Forestville in calling a convention of the Baptist churches in this county to take into consideration the propriety of forming a new association. Appointed Elders **Cole** and Brothers **Crosby** and **Shepard** a committee to call said convention. Meeting dissolved.

A **Young**, Clerk

Sunday 20 July. Voted letters of dismission to Brother Arunah **Buck** and Sister Sarah S. **Robinson** (formerly **Crosby**). Sunday 27 July, a letter laid before the church from the church in Villenova requesting a delegation to sit in council for the examination and ordination of Brother A. **Frink**. Whereupon voted, that we answer said letter by appointing Elders **Cole**, **Handy** and **Johnson** and Brothers **Forbes** and **Young** as delegates.

A **Young**, Clerk

Covenant meeting 2nd August 1834. Pastor absent. Meeting opened by prayer by Deacon **Webster**. After the church had expressed their feelings, heard the relation of Francis P. **Asherwood** and Adaline his wife and Thos. **Potter** who were received as candidates for baptism. Voted that we appoint five delegates to convention at Ellery on the 14 instant and nominated Elder **Cole**, Deacon **Crosby** and Brothers **Saxton**, **Sheppard** and **Young** as delegates. Sunday August 3rd. F. P. **Asherwood** and Adaline **Asherwood** were baptized and received into the church.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

Special church meeting 25 August 1834. On motion resolved unanimously that the church delegate to the association to be held at Ashville on the first Wednesday of September next. Voted that Elders **Cole**, **Handy**, **King** and **Johnson**, Deacon N. **Crosby** and Brothers Abm. **Johnson**, **Buck**, **Abell** and **Allen** be delegates to the same. Resolved that we recommend to the trustees to raise the meeting house and finish rooms below if they can obtain means by using the Society's unappropriated property. Brothers **Crosby** and **Buck** as laboring brethren laid a statement before the church respecting Brother Jacob **Morian**, who had refused to meet his accuser until too late. Brother **Morian** made his statement of the case. On motion voted that Brother **Morian** be suspended from the fellowship of the church (for refusing to meet his accuser, though frequently urged so to do by the laboring brethren) until circumstances may enable to church to investigate the charges and judge of his guilt or innocence.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

October 19th, a letter laid before the church from the church in Villenova requesting delegates to sit in council for the examination of Brother A. **Frink**. Whereupon voted that we answer the same by the appointment of Elders **Cole**, **Handy**, and **Johnson**. A letter from the Cassadaga Baptist church desiring delegates to sit in council for the purpose of examining the proceedings of that body with a view of acknowledging them as a sister church. Voted that we answer the same by appointing Elders **Cole**, **Handy**, and **Johnson** and Brethren **Crosby** and **Forbes** for that purpose.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

November 1st Covenant meeting, letters presented by Henry A. **Knapp** and Martha his wife from the church in Buffalo, by Anson C. **Guild** and Miranda his wife from West Winfield and by Fanny **Buck** wife of Brother R. **Buck** from Madison, who were severally received by the church on the same.

December 6th Covenant meeting letters presented by John **Champlin** and Keziah his wife from the church in West Winfield. Voted that they be received. A difficulty laid before the church by Brother Benjamin **Sweet** against Brother **May**. Voted to hold a special church meeting on Thursday next.

December 7th. A letter presented by Belinda C. **Brown** from the church in Otto, Cattaragus County and she received.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk

December 11 special meeting. Opened by prayers by Elder **Johnson** who was chosen moderator. Deacon **Crosby** from a visiting committee reported that on investigation of all the difficulties between Brother **May** and Brother **Sweet** and his family. They all expressed themselves satisfied and the parties present manifested a settlement of difficulties. Church voted satisfied. The case of Brother and Sister **Randall** was presented. Voted that Elder **Handy**, Brethren J.Z. **Saxton**, and **Abell** be a committee to visit them and learn the reasons why they absent themselves from the church and the labor to reclaim them. Voted that Elder **Handy**, Brothers R. **Buck**, **Abell** and A **Young** be a committee to visit D. J. **Matteson** and learn from him his views of his standing with the church. On motion resolved that the church withdraw the hand of fellowship from George W. **Pierce** for refusing to appear before the church when summoned and entirely neglecting to hold any correspondence with them, and that the church be directed to write him by mail informing of the proceedings of the church in the case. Adjourned to Saturday the 20 instant.

A **Young**, Church Clerk

December 20. Special church meeting held by adjournment. Elder **Handy** from the committee appointed to visit Brother and Sister **Randall**, reported that they had performed that duty. Brother **Randall** present stated that he had no difficulty with any individual member but had had much difficulty [with] some of the proceedings of the church but after much consideration of the subject had resolved to give the church no

further trouble on that ground. Sister **Randall** prevented by ill health but was in fellowship with the church. Voted that the church are satisfied in the case. Elder **Handy** from the committee appointed to visit D. J. **Matteson** reported that they had performed that duty and that D. J. **Matteson** declined to state expressly his views on the subject. Report accepted and committee discharged. Adjourned to December 29 **1834** when the meeting was held. After much desultory conversation on several subjects, Brothers **Crosby** and **Sheppard** were appointed a committee to investigate a difficulty between Brothers **May** and Joseph **Sweet**. On motion resolved that it is the sentiment of this church that members of sister churches in good standing have a right to a seat with the church in meetings of business. Adjourned.

A. **Young**, Church Clerk