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This is a report on the annual session of the Franklin Baptist Association, held at Three Rivers Church, Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri, on the hundredth anniversary of the church and the Association. Included are the constitution and lists of member churches of the Association, and histories of the church and the Association.

J. C. Duckworth organized the Franklin Baptist Association in 1832. It held its first meeting at Meramec Church in Union, Missouri. Representatives from ten churches attended the first meeting. At that time the Association covered a large area, including parts of Crawford, Gasconade, St. Francois, and Jefferson counties. Initially nearly one hundred square miles in area, the Association’s size fluctuated over time as churches joined the Association or left to form or join other associations in southeastern Missouri. By 1932, the year of its centennial, the Association’s membership included twenty-four churches with approximately 1400 members.

The annual meeting of the Association in 1932 was held at Three Rivers Church in Ste. Genevieve County, which, along with the Association, was celebrating its centennial. The fifty-page program commemorating the event contains much information on the Association and its programs, including homes for aged Baptists and orphans, and work to further the causes of temperance and Christian education. There are also brief histories of the Baptist faith and the Franklin Baptist Association, and a longer history of Three Rivers Church. The church’s history contains excerpts from the minutes of its organizational meeting in 1832. It also includes a list of members of the congregation, 1832-1847.

There is an index to the centennial program in the front of the booklet.

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