

ters will come to a close and the Lord will smile on our church again. Pray for us, that our anticipating prayers be fully realized.

Prayers were answered. Great things were in store for the church, and "his smile" would soon be upon them again.

CHAPTER 3: THE BAILEY

In 1835, Virginia had 59, associations, 462 churches, 232 of 44 licenates, and 84 Sunday existed, but it did not affect life. Many whites feared for the Nat Turner and his gang had held Southampton County. Blacks and whites in churches, and it was common congregating outside the windows buildings while whites were inside were built to accommodate slaves worship.

Divisions were part of Baptist these years of 1830-1860. government and rule by the consent of the church often kept churches. Therefore, associations were placed fellowship, sharing experiences, and

But as time went on and as churches see their unified mission, it was institutions such as associations were needed. This reasoning threatened the autonomy of the Baptist church, and Calvinistic tendencies which saw missionary activity since God had who would be saved and who would eternally.