

HISTORY OF GLOVER SCHOOL

About 1872 through the untiring efforts and far reaching influence of Mr. James J. Glover a school was organized at this place.

Mr. Glover was a very prominent farmer and owned a number of acres of land in this community. He very willingly donated an acre of land to be used for school purposes, but stated in granting this land, that should the school cease to exist the land was to be reclaimed by the owner. It was for him the school was named.

The building erected was a very small structure. The type of house known as a "boxed up" house, with wooden shutters for windows. This building was seated with slab seats.

This structure accommodated the pupils of this, then densely settled community, for a number of years but later was found to be inadequate, so about 1890 the wooden shutters were replaced by glass windows, the building was enlarged, and was weatherboarded. More modern desks took the place of the old slab seats which added much to the comfort of the rapid increasing enrollment of pupils.

As time advanced the population of the community increased and the farmers became more prosperous, they began to realize the necessity of better educational advantages for their children, so in 1906 the present building was erected.

A few years later as new methods of instruction developed, then both teachers and patrons realized that it was necessary to develop the body as well as the mind, and to do this it was necessary for the pupils of this school to have more play ground. In the year of 1922 two more

acres of land was purchased from T. W. Brooks, who then owned the farm surrounding the one acre on which the school building stood. At this time a clear deed was given to the school for the three acres.

During the life of the school, which has been approximately fifty-eight years, forty-one teachers have been in charge of the school as principal. Some of which have been very efficient teachers and have accomplished much in promoting the growth of the school

Miss Emma Harvey has the distinction of having been the first teacher. The names of the others I shall try to give in the order in which they taught, which is as follows:

Miss Emma Harvey	Mr. Charlie Williams	Mr. T. W. McDaniel
Mr. Darling Britt	Miss Genie McElroy	Prof. Meriwether
Mrs. Lane	Miss Nan Cook	Mr. Roy Drukemiller
Mr. Stilwell	Prof. Meriwether	Mr. Henry Harmon
Mr. Tom Ray	Mr. Henry Jordan	Mr. Jack Brand
Mr. George Brown	Mrs. Howard	Mr. R. P. Pickens
Mr. Oscar Brown	Mr. Leon Latimer	Mr. Chas. T. Williams
Mr. Eli McDaniel	Dr. C. C. Brooks	Mr. Harvey Britt
Mr. L. T. Y. Nash	Mr. John Jacobs	Mr. Otis Cruce
Dr. Bud Cofer	Mr. Guy Garner	Mrs. Ben Clements
Dr. A. M. Brooks	Mr. H. P. Oliver	Mr. Alton McDaniel
Mr. Charlie Fleming	Mr. Fowler	
Mr. W. T. Brooks	Mr. Benfield	
Mr. Gus Mewborn	Mr. Poe	
Miss Mattie Cochran	Miss Ida Medlock	
Miss Chloe Medlock		

Mr. Avery Graves assisted by Misses Era and Vera Mann will be in charge of the school beginning this fall.

Time and space will not permit my giving the names of all the assistant teachers which would almost double the number of principals.

The value of work accomplished in this small rural school cannot be estimated. There are to be found successful men and women in various professions who received the foundation for their higher education at this place. Among these are to be found preachers, teachers, doctors, and a lawyer.

Those taking up the teaching profession, some for a few years and others for much longer are as follows:

Dr. Bud Cofer	Mr. W. T. Brooks	Vera Brooks
Mr. J. M. Purcell	Claude Brooks	Linnie Brooks
Dr. A. M. Brooks,	Bertha Brooks	Harvey Britt
Dr. J. H. Brooks	Eula Brooks	W. J. Britt
T. W. McDaniel	Mary Lou Burns	

Some of these teachers have shown their great love for, and interest in, their home school by trying to impart to minds of the children of their neighbors and classmates some of the knowledge they had previously acquired here and elsewhere, by returning here to teach after having attended school here. Those doing this are:

Mr. W. R. Lietch	Claude Brooks	Mr. T. W. McDaniel
Dr. Bud Cofer	Bertha Brooks	Miss Ida Medlock
Mr. J. M. Purcell	Vera Brooks	Miss Mary Lou Burns
Miss Sallie Medlock	Dr. A. H. Lietch	Mr. Avery Graves
Mr. W. T. Brooks	Mr. H. H. Cofer	Mr. Harvey Britt <i>Grad with D.D.</i>

In order that they might in a small measure bring relief to suffering humanity the following pupils of Glover School took up the profession of practicing physicians:

Dr. A. H. Brooks Dr. H. T. Dickens Dr. J. H. Brooks

Dr. Paul Dickens Dr. Bud Cofer Dr. C. C. Brooks

Dr. Lannie Hedlock, Dr. A. H. Lietch and Dr. Joseph Adair are pharmacists, and Dr. Marvin Duncan a dentist.

Only one lawyer has gone out from this school that being Col. C. O. Webb.

Some few are following the noble profession of preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ, these are:

L. L. Singleton C. F. Singleton Mr. Tom Singleton

Frank Singleton

This school has not only produced professional men who have, and are making a success in the business world, but it has produced some very proficient farmers some of whom still live in this community and to whom much credit for the success of this school should be given.

May I also state that from this school came the Britt brothers who are well known for their singing, Roy, Raymond, Fred and Harvey who compose the quartet, and all from the same family.

It might be of interest to a great many to know that this school building has been used for religious purposes the greater part of the time since the school was organized.

Realizing the importance of giving to the children of this community some christian training, James J. Clover organized a Sunday School and was the leader for a few years when he moved away Mr. Eli McDaniel took

On April 1st, 1932, the old building burned down.

The present building was completed in the fall of 1932.

Principals from 1932 to 1943:

A.A. Graves
J.J. Duice
Joe Fraham
S.B. Vaughters
J.J. King
E.T. Treadwell
J.R. Spear
Mrs. Lonia Pailey
Mrs. C.E. Prooks
Mrs. Vera Hollifield

Assistant teachers:

Lucile McDaniel
Bertha Hopkins
Grace Fettey
Cleo Roberts
Cleo Stovall
Rebecca Cowan
Mrs. Kate Kennerly
Reg Sawyer
Mrs. Pearl Simpson
Mathern Wright
~~Marjorie Lay~~

Superintendent of Glover Sunday School from 1932

to present time:

A.A. Graves
Robert Storey
James Cunningham
Lester Graves
G.W. Graves
Robert Williams
Jack Remillet
Clyde Barrett

up this good work. Later T. M. Brooks with the help of his good wife carried on the work for a number of years laboring under many difficulties. As time advanced the older people as well as the children became more interested in the religious welfare of the community and to carry on this great work was not such a great task. However, at times interest would wane and the work of the Sunday School would be discontinued for a while, to later be reorganized with greater interest.

The following men have been in charge of the school acting as Superintendents, some for a number of years, others for only a few:

Mr. James J. Glover	Mr. C. H. Cofer	Mr. L. L. Singleton
Mr. Eli McDaniel	Mr. J. F. Singleton	Mr. Tom Pinnell
Mr. T. W. Brooks	Mr. N. A. Waddell	Mr. C. W. Graves
Mr Elmer Sexton	Mr. Jack Waddell	Mr. T. A. Mann
Mr. Jim Johnston	Mr. J. M. Waddell	Mr. J. H. Cofer

Since being reorganized in March 1925 the following ^{West Staff} Superintendents have been in charge:

Mr. T. A. Mann	Mr. G. W. Graves	Mr. George Ethridge
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Mr. L. D. Mann being the present Superintendent.

July 20, 1930

In April, 1954, a Baptist Mission was organized at this place. On July 18, 1954, Glover Baptist Church was constituted with twenty-two charter members. The church's first pastor was Rev. Fred L. Cox; Jr., sent to the church by Dr. Scott Fatterson. The second and present pastor is Rev. T.W. Jones. The church is now three years old, and the membership has grown from twenty-two to 196.

In 1956, Glover Baptist Church bought this property from the Gwinnett County Board of Education for the sum of 6000 dollars. On payment, the church secured a clear title to the property.

Sept. 1957

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Site of Glazer Baptist on

Jimmy Carter Blvd.

in Norcross near Tucker

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