

Glencoe Baptist Church of Christ
officially organized and constituted
January 11, 1878

Lewis A. Salin was instrumental in its beginning
by conducting a meeting in Glencoe, using a
(war-room) as a place of preaching, using a
Elder Salin was called as its first pastor.

Origin of Baptist Church of Christ at Glenoe,

Providence, extends its view to all, from rolling waters, to falling sparrows. All events, it guides, controls, overrules, edifying still God's glory and the highest good of all that trust him," Hence Shakespeare, "There's a divinity that shapes our ends, Rough hew them as we will." This is true in regard to our little Church. Sister Mary B. Robinson of the Warsaw Church but a resident here at Glenoe wrote last March an invitation to Eld. Lewis H. Salin to visit this place and to preach the Gospel to the citizens describing it as a missionary field.

The invitation was accepted and Bro Salin commenced a meeting of days in April last. There was no Church in the place and therefore, he occupied an abandoned bar room as a place for preaching. Soone this was found too small, and a larger blacksmith shop was procured to carry on the meeting. God blessed the effort and twenty three precious souls united with the denomination, taking their membership in the neighboring Churches. Bro Salin drew up a subscription for the purpose of purchasing the blacksmith shop and of converting it into a house of worship.

Like David of who changed the threshing floor of Ara-
nah the job site unto a place of worship where his son
Solomon in after years erected the temple of God.

He solicited subscription and in a short time his
plan was executed. The shop was purchased and a house
of worship erected in its place, and now where
once the sound of the iron hammer was heard the
sweet voice of praise rise up to God in thanksgiving
for his goodness and mercy.

On the 11 day of January 1878 a council was
called by a company of brethren and sisters in the
Secord to become an independant Church which met at
Glenoe at ¹⁰ o'clock. ^{Wm Ten} Bro. ^{M J Williams} ^{of} ^{the} ^{Secord} ^{Church} was
chosen moderator and Brother ^{R. D. Dunion} ^{of} ^{the} ^{Secord} ^{Church} was

The records, refering to the call of the council were read
from which it appears, that the object is to constitute
a Church at Glenoe. The credentials of the messeng-
ers were presented. The following Churches sent the bre-
thren namely.

Ten Mill Church M. J. Williams, J. McMillard
J. E. Carlton J. H. Ambrose Poplar Grove Church.

R. Simeon Coats N. S. Rigley R. H. Cropper J. P. Garry J. J. B. Brock Elisha Crouch Columbus Perkins Charles Slaughter Isa. Kemper and J. H. Beatty - Oakland, J. W. Sorman J. P. Thomas Josiah C. Ellis C. S. Crouch Jesse Poland and J. Crouch Pleasant Home R. C. Brock M. T. Thomas J. V. Skirvin.

1.st The council after hearing the covenant and the articles of faith read agreed unanimously to go into the constitution of the Church. Eld. John Madsen gave a charge to the newly constituted church and the council extended the right hand of fellowship and offered prayer for their success.

Love letters were presented by the following brethren and sisters (namely) J. W. Crouch Mary Crouch D. B. Perry Mary A. Perry John Ralston Sallie Ralston Gas M. Scilly Alid Scilly Leon Scilly B. V. Vest Ada Vest John R. Green Susan H. Green John Thomas Artie Spencer Hattie Myers J. D. Shelton R. C. Foster J. V. Skirvin Susan Skirvin.

Ord. Covenant and Declarations of Faith as presented by the above named brethren and sisters which which was read and approved and upon it they were pronounced regularly constituted a Church of Jesus Christ to keep up the word and ordinances of the Gospel and as such the council extended ^{to them} their hands of fellowship.

4th On motion the clerk was appointed to prepare a report of the proceedings of the council for publication in the Western Recorder.

5th Adjourned.

M. J. Williams, Mod.
R. Simeon Coats, Clerk.