

4. A History of Gospel Witness

"Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Luke 24:46-47 ESV

5. A History of Making Christ-Followers

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."
Matthew 28:19-20 NKJV

What's In the Name "Glenwood"?

Ultimately, a history of glorifying God's name through His church because of His love and faithfulness.

Not to us, LORD, not to us but to Your name be the glory, because of Your love and faithfulness.
Psalm 115:1 NIV



Glenwood Baptist Church

Bruce T. Adrian

Worship Service

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What's In A Name?

Lesson One

A Celebration of Glenwood

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Is a celebration of God's name because of who He is and what He has done throughout the history of our church.

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord, you His servants; praise the name of the Lord. Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised. Psalm 113:1-3 NIV

What's In the Name "Glenwood"?

1. A History of Geographical Identity

A Community and Church Called "Glenwood"



The history of a Gospel witness in this community goes back to **1939** when a small group of people started meeting in a "little red school house" located on 3.5 acres where our present buildings stand. The church was simply known as **Glenwood Community Church** since the property was located in a small community called "Glenwood."

Seventeen years later on **April 18, 1956** thirty-six charter members voted to formally organize into the **Glenwood Baptist Church** and to affiliate with the Conservative Baptist Association (CBA) of America. Later a group who were members of the Kansas City Baptist Temple (now Graceway) and members of the Glenwood Baptist Church merged and the church became a mission of the Kansas City Baptist Temple.

On **January 1, 1970** the church was severed from the Kansas City Baptist Temple and became an autonomous local church. The church chose **Glenwood Baptist Temple** as her name and on August 31, 1970 was incorporated under the laws of the state of Missouri.



In **1990** the name was changed to **Glenwood Baptist Church**. Much more has transpired since 1939, but one thing has been constant throughout, God's faithfulness to His people at Glenwood and their desire to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and fulfill God's mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ in Kansas City and around the world.

2. A History of Pastoral Leadership

Pastors of Glenwood Community Church

- Paul Capps (ca. early 1940s)
- Rice Arnold (ca. 1945)
- (First name unknown) Carpenter (ca. 1950s)
- (First name unknown) Hamblin (ca. 1950s)

Pastors of Glenwood Baptist Church

- Samuel P. Bell (ca. 1956)
- Lawrence Thorup (ca. 1958)

Pastors of Mission Church of KCBT

- Wendell Zimmerman (ca. 1961)
- Truman Dollar (ca. 1962)
- J.O. Grooms (ca. 1966)
- Jay Bowen (ca. 1967)

Pastors of Glenwood Baptist Temple/Church (1970)

- A.W. Cooper (1968 – 1971)
- Tyrone Adrian (1971 – 2002)
- Bruce Adrian (2002 – Present)



3. A History of God's Faithfulness

God's Faithfulness in the Conversion of the "Little Red School House"

When the proverbial "little red school house" was converted into a meeting place for a church it was a miraculous story of conversion. The little red school house belonged to the board of education of North Kansas City. They decided to offer the property for sale. An effort was made by the former owners to buy. However, in years past a will had been made to the effect that the property must remain for public use. A series of court proceedings began in which final decision was made in favor of the property being used for church purposes. The little red school house and the 3.5 acres it was located on was purchased for \$3,500.



God's Faithfulness in the Construction of the Church Buildings



During the 1950s the first of three buildings was erected (small auditorium, now the Student Life Center). In 1962 the second building was erected (Auditorium). In the 1970's more space was needed to minister to the growing congregation of adults, youth, and children. Under the leadership of Pastor Tyrone Adrian, the church sold bonds to raise \$275,000 for the addition of the Education Building. Construction began in October 1975 and was completed in the Summer of 1976. The mortgage was paid off in 1990, enabling the church to become debt free. In 1985 the Auditorium went through a major renovation, with some minor remodeling since then.



God's Faithfulness in the Renovation of the Education Building

In 2007 *The Shammah Campaign* was launched with the goal of raising \$300,000 to renovate the Education Building. By God's grace and through people's faith and over \$425,000 was sacrificially given, including the single biggest cash offering in the church's history: \$153,000. Renovation of the Education Building and the Student Life Center was completed in 2008.

