

## Bethlehem/Overlook School

**Location:** S26/T1/R9E

**Funds:** \$135

**School District:** 4

1908-1909 One teacher, allotted \$40

1918-1919 No data

1923-1924 Name changed to Overlook

One teacher, 5 months at \$70

1938-1939 One teacher

No further data.



The First Baptist Church in Overlook is named Bethlehem, so it is likely that the early days of this school were held in the church. Do not confuse the Bethlehem Church with the one near the Tally Plantation in Bass. In 1923, Opal Hogue as the teacher. The trustees in 1923 were: W. G. Shaw, W. P. Forsyth, George Clark, Flat Rock. These teachers are associated with this school: LaVina Bowman (1928), Elizabeth Huddleston (1932), and Ruby Woodfin (1936).

**Feb 16, 1928 PA:** Overlook News. “Ezra Ott is on the sick list this week and can not come to school. Miss Ella Christopher taught school two days for Miss LaVina Bowman who was ill last week.”

**Mar 8, 1928 PA:** “The girls of Flat Rock played the girls of Overlook in a game of basketball Friday, the scores were 8 and 2 in favor of Overlook.”

**Aug 1, 1929 PA:** A successful Opportunity School (adult literacy education ahead of the 1930 census) was being conducted at Overlook.

**Jul 26, 1934 PA:** “Overlook school is giving an ice cream supper Saturday night July 28. The proceeds are to be used to buy a basketball for the school. All invited to come and enjoy the evening and help a worthy cause.”

**Apr 7, 1932 PA:** “Miss Elizabeth Huddleston closed her school at Overlook Friday. She brought her school children down to Flat Rock school Friday. She occupied a room of Junior High building until the Health Picture, which was presented by Mr. Blake in charge of this program over the State. The morning and afternoon pictures were enjoyed by quite a number. This proved a treat to other visiting school. We were delighted to have them.”

**Mar 12, 1936 PA:** Typhoid vaccination clinic at Overlook School

**Nov 26, 1936 PA:** “Mr. Charles Ballet of Chattanooga and his sister, Mrs. Ruby Woodfin of Overlook school, the the week-end at home.”

**Nov 10, 1938 PA:** Financial Report for Jackson County Schools for 1937-38. John Brown was paid 3.00 for providing wood for Overlook School.

**May 25, 1939 PA:** DPT vaccinations held at Overlook School.

**Jul 20, 1939 PA:** Bids let for school bus route, one of which covers Overlook School.



Bethlehem Baptist Church, then called Overlook Church