

## RACE RELATIONS - LOCAL CHURCHES IN MIDDLE GEORGIA 1860-1865

As analyzed in *Diverging Loyalties: Baptists in Middle Georgia During the Civil War* ([www.divergingloyalties.com](http://www.divergingloyalties.com)) by Bruce T. Gourley

Normal membership moves not included (see Revival chart for revival stats), unless more than five at one time, all owned by one slaveowner.

<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>ASSOCIATION</u>	<u>EVENT RE: SLAVES</u>	<u>S/F</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Mineral Springs	SP	Washington	Washington	Post-War, ref. of blacks "belonging to"	?	1865/09/14
Poplar Springs	N	Laurens		9 under one owner joined; 5 exp, 4 letter	S	1862/03/22
Poplar Springs	N	Laurens		15 under one owner joined, all exp	S	1862/04/26
Poplar Springs	N	Laurens		10 under one owner joined, all exp	S	1862/09/27
Houston Factory	SP	Houston	Rehoboth	17 joined "colored portion of the church"	S	1863/11
Houston Factory	SP	Houston	Rehoboth	24 "rec'd and baptized" in yr but not in bk	S	1865/08/20
Houston Factory	SP	Houston	Rehoboth	Post-War, ref. of blacks as "property"	?	1865/08/20
Houston Factory	SP	Houston	Rehoboth	Post-War, reference to "freedman"	F	1865/10
Midway	SP	Bibb	Rehoboth	PW, formed, disbanded comm on "disorderly" "blacks"	F	1865/05-06
Midway	SP	Bibb	Rehoboth	PW, appt comm meet/w black for spk dur. Preaching	F	1865/09
Sandy Creek	SP	Morgan	Appalachee	Slave applied for license to preach; indefinitely postponed	S	1860/08/25
Sandy Creek	SP	Morgan	Appalachee	Reference to a "freedman"	F	1865/07/22
Sandy Creek	SP	Morgan	Appalachee	Repeated references to "colored" persons	F	1865/07-08
Zion	SP	Newton	Stone Mt.	Granted "colored brother liberty to preach at our next" mtg	?	1860/09/08
Zion	SP	Newton	Stone Mt.	Ibid, again, in poss. of licensing Sam Persall to preach	?	1860/10/13
Zion	SP	Newton	Stone Mt.	Declined to grant colored brother license to preach		
Zion	SP	Newton	Stone Mt.	Slave referred to as "boy belonging to..."	S	1861/08/11
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Allowed blacks to hold funeral in church	S	1861/11/16
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Voted to allow blacks to hold preaching	S	1864/09/17
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Freed slaves: "formerly property of ..."	F	1865/08
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Voted to allow free blacks use of "house" for a "service"	F	1865/09/16
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Former slave stated called to preach, voted to allow him	F	1865/10/14
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Former slave, Derry, licensed to preach	F	1865/11/19
Bethesda	S	Greene	Georgia	Voted to allow blacks to use building	F	1865/12/16
Siloam	SP	Greene	Georgia	"Granted negroes privilege of preaching a funeral ..."	S	1860/07/21
Bethel	N	Jasper	Central	Colored man, Thomas Allen, "licensed to exercise in public"	?	1863/07/18
Bethel	N	Jasper	Central	PW, "member of color"	F	1865/07/18
Antioch	N	Morgan	Central	Trouble with negroes hanging around church?	S	1860/09/08
Antioch	N	Morgan	Central	21 Slaves dismissed by letter (20 owned by one planter)	S	1860/10/14

Antioch	N	Morgan	Central	Held separate "conference for blacks' 1860-April 1861	S	1860-1861
Antioch	N	Morgan	Central	Voted to hold afternoon meeting for blacks Sun afternoons	S	1863/07/11
Salem	N	Jones	Central	PW, "former property of"	F	1865/09/30
New Hope	N	Greene	Appalachee	"granted brother Tincher a colored man leave to ex. h/gifts"	?	1864/07/16
New Hope	N	Greene	Appalachee	"the Negroes are not to hold meetings at this place ..."		
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	voted to investigate arrangements for sep. "Negro church"	S	1863/12/05
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	voted to build or buy church building for blacks	S	1864/04/02
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	PW, freedman ref. as "formerly the slave of"	F	1865/08/26
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	voted to support "blacks" if they wanted to org. sep. church	F	1865/09/02
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	freedmen voted to organize separate church	F	1865/09/16
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	letters of dismissal granted to form sep. black church	F	1865/09/17
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	vote/allow "Colored Baptist Church of Madison" use ch bld**	F	1865/11/04
Madison	N	Morgan	Central	blacks agreed to accept use of church building	F	1865/12/02
New Bethel	N	Washington	Mt. Vernon	"granted vigulens committee the use of the meeting house"		1861/08/24
New Bethel	N	Washington	Mt. Vernon	PW, "who had been the property of"	F	
Providence	N	Jasper	Central	preacher selected "for the colored people"	S	1864/02/14
Providence	N	Jasper	Central	PW, freedwomen referred to as "servants"	S?	1865/07/16

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