

The Journey Thus Far

We have held two meetings thus far to appoint the board, elect officials and formulate a plan for the restoration work. The Group consists of nine board members along with an advisor from the Provincial Government. Quotes for the work have been obtained and an application will be made to the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation in advance of the applicable deadlines.

Glen Leslie Church Preservation Group—Board members

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Membership

Glen Leslie Church Preservation Group

I would like to become a member of the Glen Leslie Church Preservation Group and submit \$10 for membership for the current fiscal year.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I understand that membership will allow me to attend all Group meetings and to participate in all work-bees and other events to be sponsored by the Group.

Please remit this form and \$10 to:

Theresa Moon - Secretary Treasurer
Box 36,
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Restore the Church

A Historical Project



Restoration Plan

- Phase I** **NEW FOUNDATION**
- lift the Church off the present location
 - complete new foundation with pilings
 - move Church back onto new foundation
- Phase II** **LOG WORK**
- repair and or replace logs as deemed necessary
- Phase III** **ROOF**
- installation of new cedar shingles
- Phase IV** **INTERIOR WORK**
- repair woodwork, windows, etc. as deemed necessary
- Phase V** **FINISHING**
- stain and paint as required



Glen Leslie Church

On November 21, 1914, a meeting was held to consider building a church at Glen Leslie. A subscription list was drawn up with cash donations and volunteer labor promised. Alfred Olson was hired as the carpenter for \$4.00 per day. The 20' x 30' log church was built on ten acres allotted for a church and cemetery on SW 6 72 3 W6. By March 1915, the logs were hauled and construction began after spring work. Total cost of the Church was \$468.00. The first church service was held on October 30, 1915 and continued until 1964.



The Church as a School

The Church was utilized as a school house for the Somme School District #3634 from 1918 to 1928 at which time, a new school was built. The first teacher was Marion Morrison who had seven pupils under her tutelage



Glen Leslie Cemetery

The County of Grande Prairie currently owns the 10 acres on which the Glen Leslie Church and Cemetery are located. The cemetery is well maintained by local residents who hold an annual work-bee in June.



The Historic Site

In the spring of 2011, the Glen Leslie Church was designated a Provincial Historic Resource by the Minister of Culture & Community Development. As such, it will now qualify for matching funding through the Alberta Historical Resources Foundation for restoration work. The grant application process has a September 1st deadline for each calendar year with the funding, if approved, being available the following year.

Over the years, the church has withered the ravages of time and is in need of repair. As well, it remains one of the few pre-1920's structures left in the area.

Any monetary assistance would be appreciated and will go a long ways towards ensuring the Church is preserved for future generations to enjoy. Donors will receive a charitable donation receipt from the County of Grande Prairie No.1 and in return for your generosity; all names will appear on any applicable advertisements and or brochures. Specific sponsorship categories have been implemented; details of which are available upon request.

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