



Coffeeville First Baptist Church
By
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Pastor

The Declaration of Independence ends with these words, “And for the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of divine providence, we mutually pledge our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor!” History has proven time and again the old saying that freedom is not free, and most of those 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence and thousands of others who stood with them for freedom would be called to live up to that pledge for they did indeed lay down their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. Not surprisingly, the Bible has a lot to say about freedom and its price. The Apostle Paul had much to say about it in his letters to the churches. Paul knew about freedom. He had been a man of status, of wealth, of influence among his people, but he was willing to lose everything to do what God called him to do (1 Corinthians 9:19-23).

In Paul’s day people often were subjected to considerable persecution and hardship when they became Christians. This was especially true for Jews who became believers in Jesus. Jews spent their lives learning and practicing the Old Testament and Jewish religious laws as the standard and burden for having a right relationship with God. This transition from being bound to the religious law to being free from it was a huge adjustment for the Jewish believers and caused tremendous confusion and contention within the church. This happened in a lot of places as Jews accepted Jesus and became part of the church, but it was especially a problem in Galatia. Knowing the issues in the church, Paul wrote to the church in Galatia telling them, “Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with the yoke of

bondage” (Gal. 5:1). The bondage Paul told them they were free of is the bondage of the Jewish religious law. They were no longer under the law but had freedom from it through Jesus. Even with men such as Paul teaching them, this newfound freedom in Jesus was still hard to understand. Remember, the Jews grew up having their religious law engrained in them. Their entire lives and system of society revolved around their religious practices. Paul told the church they were free from religious laws, but then there were Jewish leaders in the church saying the Jewish believers must still follow the religious law.

Part of the reason for this was that the Jews saw themselves as superior to Gentiles, especially when it came to their religion and relationship with God. In many cases Jews did not even associate with Gentiles. This was a problem because the church was made up of Jews and Gentiles, and as Paul wrote in Galatians 3 and Romans 10, there is neither Jew nor Gentile in the church. We are all equal and one in Jesus. Some Jews did not like the idea that the Gentiles could suddenly be religiously equal to them, so the Jews tried to use their knowledge and practice of their religious law to regain their perceived religious authority and gain control over the church. They tried to convince the church that faith was not enough to be saved, more had to be done than just believing. People had to do things the Jewish way, and the Jewish way said that salvation required following their religious law. This pull between the bondage of the law and freedom in Jesus was such an issue that Paul tells us in Galatians 2 that even Peter and Barnabas would separate themselves from the Gentile believers and practice the Jewish religious law when Jews from the church in

Jerusalem came to visit them at the church in Antioch. This was something Paul says he confronted them about.

When we hear all this, our immediate thought may be, “Well, we don’t have that problem today,” but the fact is we do have that problem. Such happens all the time today. It has just gotten a lot more complicated than following Jewish laws and customs. We have come up with the prosperity gospel, the progressive or liberal gospel, the legalistic gospel, the works gospel, the lgbtq+ gospel, and the list goes on. We add to and take away from the gospel until it is what we want it to be.

To make matter worse in the church, on the other extreme there were some in Galatia who took Paul’s teaching on Christian freedom to mean they did not have to obey God at all. They could claim faith in Jesus, be part of the church, and keep on living how they had always lived. There did not have to be any repentance or conviction of sin in their lives. The Bible teaches that our faith in Jesus covers all our sins, so what do a lot of us do? Like those Gentiles, some take that to mean we can say we are saved but still live however we want with no true repentance or conviction of sin in our lives. When it comes to people believing like that, the modern church has not done itself any favors for we have failed to teach people what Jesus meant when He said, “Take up your cross and follow me.” Christian freedom is not a free pass to do whatever we want. Surrendering our lives to Jesus frees and empowers us not to be who we want to be, but to be who God wants us to be, to love our neighbor as ourselves, to support and encourage one another, to give up our own comforts and securities to share the love of Jesus with others. To be sure the church at Galatia, and you and I understand this Paul wrote in Galatians 5:13-15, “For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you bite and devour one another, beware lest you be consumed by one another!” Do you think Jesus died on the cross for us, so we can keep living an immoral and sinful life? Of course (Cont’d. on page 8)



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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE’S SALE

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2024, Patricia Paris, a single person executed a certain deed of trust to Kusnetzky, Schwartz, Rosenfield, Sailler &; Lilla, P.C., Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as beneficiary, as nominee for Truhome Solutions, LLC, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Yalobusha County, State of Mississippi in Book 20241 at Page 1929; and

WHEREAS, LLG MS LLC has heretofore been substituted as Trustee by instrument dated May 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Truhome Solutions, LLC, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney’s fees, trustee’s fees and expense of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLG MS LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on July 16, 2026 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the North Door of the County Courthouse of Yalobusha County, located at 14440 Main Street, Coffeeville, MS 38922, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Yalobusha County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON LOCATED AND BEING SITUATED IN YALOBUSHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

20.25 ACRES, MORE OR LESS AS BEING LOT 4, LOT 3 1/2 AND A CERTAIN PART OF LOT 5 AS LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 AND THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 AND THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 AND THE SE 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 ALL IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 25 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, IN THE TOWN OF OAKLAND, YALOBUSHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI: BEGINNING AT A FENCE POST ON THE WESTERLY SIDE OF OLD U.S. HIGHWAY 51 AT A POINT THAT IS 1591.38 FEET SOUTH AND 2659.50 FEET WEST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 7; THENCE ALONG POSSESSION LINE FENCE GO, N 76 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 49 SECONDS W-433.58 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE N 11 DEGREES 24 MINUTES 30 SECONDS E-412.99 FEET TO A FOUND IRON PIPE ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF AN OLD ABANDONED ALLEY; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID ALLEY GO, S 87 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 10 SECONDS W- 488.71 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE LEAVING SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID ALLEY GO 5 01 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 42 SECONDS W-331.98 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE S 39 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 12 SECONDS W-12.80 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE N 79 DEGREES 21 MINUTES 31 SECONDS W-832.87 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE S 63 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 19 SECONDS W-16.00 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EASTERLY SIDE OF A DRIVEWAY TO THE GRIFFIN PROPERTY; THENCE ALONG A FENCE ON SAID EASTERLY SIDE OF SAID DRIVE WAY GO, S 07 DEGREES 57 MINUTES 19 SECONDS - 629.07 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE S 85 DEGREES 35 MINUTES 44 SECONDS E-65.07 FEET TO A

Town Of Coffeeville

Request For Proposal (RFP)

The Town of Coffeeville is requesting proposals for garbage collection services to be provided throughout an initial term of six (6) years. Municipal solid waste services include refuse collection and disposal services for the Town on a once-weekly schedule. The Town of Coffeeville reserves the right to award this contract to the Respondent whose Proposal best serves the interests of the Town, as determined by the Town, and in accordance with Mississippi law.

Bids should be submitted to ROSALINE TORRANCE, TOWN CLERK, Town of Coffeeville, 14615 Depot Street, Coffeeville, Mississippi 38922 and clearly marked: Municipal Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services.

Closing Date and Time: July 13, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.

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SUBJECT TO OIL, GAS AND MINERAL RIGHTS RESERVED OR CONVEYED BY FORMER OWNERS, AND TO ANY LEASES IN CONNECTION WITH SAME WHICH MAY BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

THIS CONVEYANCE IS ALSO MADE SUBJECT TO RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENTS FOR PUBLIC ROAD, PUBLIC AND/OR PRIVATE UTILITIES, RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, AND ZONING ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS, IF ANY, WHICH APPLY TO, CROSS OVER, ON OR UNDER SAID LAND.



3 Night Revival

Persimmon Hill M.B. Church of Enid will be having 3 nights of revival July 29-31 at 7:00 nightly. The guest speaker will be Pastor Earnest Ware of Greenwood, Ms.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Pastor Andrew Fluker

Musician

Appreciation

Persimmon Hill M.B. Church of Enid will be having a 7 year Musician Appreciation for the State Number One Player Bro. Tony Johnson, Sunday, July 26 at 2:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Pastor Andrew Fluker



BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED TO PATRICIA PARIS, WHILE RESERVING A LIFE ESTATE FOR MARGARET BURRESS FROM MARGARET BURRESS, BY DEED DATED JUNE 28, 2019 AND RECORDED ON APRIL 7, 2021 AS BOOK 20211, PAGE 354. WHEREAS MARGARET BURRESS DIED ON 5/14/2021 AS EVIDENCED BY THE DEATH CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH UNDER STATE FILE NUMBER 123-2021-015221 LEAVING PATRICIA PARIS AS THE SOLE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

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