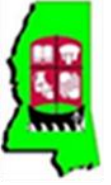




MISSISSIPPI FREE WILL BAPTISTS

MESSENGER UPDATE



April 7, 2026

"Called to Love, Sent to Serve"

THE MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

[Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists \(msfwb.org\)](http://msfwb.org)

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PRAYER REQUEST



- FROM RHONDA WHITLEY on Monday evening.

Man! What some prayer warriors! Thank you all for taking Jack directly into the throne room of our LORD!

Today has definitely been a tipping point! Pain has been controlled all day, tons of doctors have stopped in and most importantly - the one we have been waiting on... the ophthalmologist! This was the final hurdle of saying... everything is healing well and should NOT REQUIRE anything further, other than follow up with our own Dr. Garrett!

Wow! God is SO GOOD! We are being discharged tomorrow morning, pending anything going haywire tonight. Love you guys so very much and praise the LORD for your friendship, support and love!



Continue in prayer for Pastor Jack Whitley, his family and congregation at New Lebanon FWB Church.

- Midway FWB Church Pastor Jerry Hooper and his wife Eulene need our prayer. He is still recovering from a recent hospitalization for an intestine obstruction and she is anticipating returning to M D Anderson for treatments.
- *Continuing to pray-MSAFWB Missions Treasurer, George Kimbrough's wife, Kay, received a clean P.E.T. scan in December from stage 4 liver cancer. Another scan this month shows its back again. She'll be starting chemo treatments on the 24th.*

CROSSWALK – NEW ALBANY

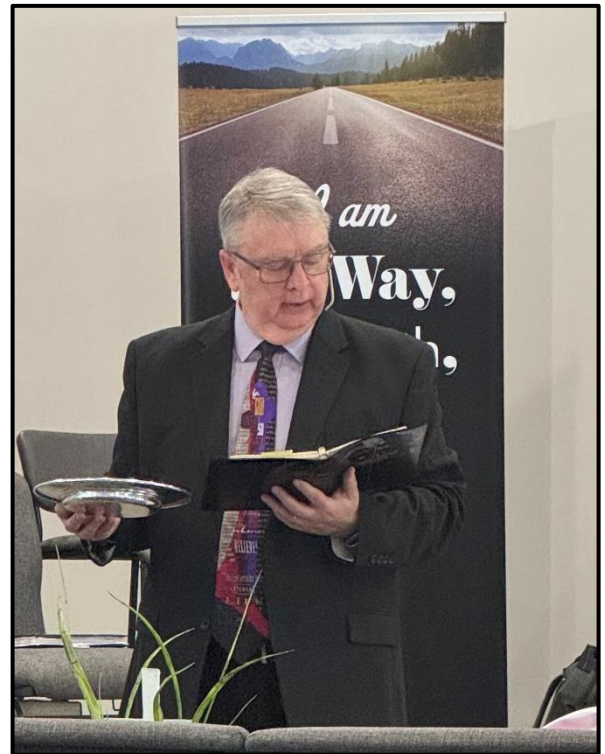


We hope you all had a blessed Resurrection Day celebration this past Sunday!

Crosswalk FWB Church shared the Lord's Supper together and sang some of our favorite Easter hymns. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ changes everything! Amen!

We are looking forward to Mother's Day and our upcoming Family & Friend Day the Sunday following Mother's Day.

We are planning to place around 350 invitations and door hangars to promote our Family & Friend Day on Saturday, May 2nd. We will meet at Crosswalk at 10:00 a.m. If you could bring a group to help canvas an area, please let me



know. This will be face to face, door to door, and require a good amount of walking.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to worship with us. Service times Sunday mornings are Crosswalk Groups at 9:45 a.m.; Coffee & Donut Fellowship at 10:30 a.m.; and Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m. Sunday evenings start at 5:00 p.m., and Wednesday Wake Up at 7:00 p.m.

Thank you for your continuing prayers and support of Mississippi Missions!

Pastor Thomas and Lisa Loyd

HISPANIC MINISTRY- Rick Bowling



Brother Rick Bowling and the Hispanic Ministry. Mississippi Free Will Baptist's partnership is positively impacting many families. Our continued involvement is essential to its success and service within the Hispanic community. Let's keep up the work!



State Youth Competition
will be held at Beech
Springs Free Will Baptist
Church April 11th at 9am.



2026 MSAFWB ANNUAL MEETING

The meeting will be held April 17 & 18, 2026 at Beech Springs Free Will Baptist Church.

Friday, April 17:

- . 8:15 am—Registration
- . 9:00 am—Session 1
- . 10:10 am—Break
- . 10:30 am—Session 2
- . 2:00 pm—State Business

. 7:00 pm —A special time of Worship including music from members across our state - led by Rev. Paul Bryant
Speaker: Rev. David Taylor

After Evening Service Ladies' Fellowship: All ladies are encouraged to attend a few special moments of fellowship together with coffee, cookies, and prayer.

Rev. David Harper will be our guest speaker. David answered the call to preach in 1983. He pastored three churches, one each in Oklahoma, Arizona, and Arkansas

Along with his pastoral duties; he has served his districts and states at both the local and national levels. Since January 2016 he has served Arkansas FWBs as their state promotional director. He currently serves on the NAFWB Executive Committee. He holds a Master of Biblical Studies degree from Rocky Mountain Baptist College and a Master of Public Administration degree from Randall University.

He is married to Debe Jernigan Taylor. In May they will celebrate their 53rd anniversary. They have two adult children and eight grandchildren. In his spare time, he enjoys gardening, woodworking, and golf.

Saturday, April 18:

9:00 am—Business Resumes

10:15 am—Recess

10:30 am to 11:15 am—
Session 4: Rev. David Taylor

Adjourn



2026 MSAFWB MEETING
April 17-18, 2026
Beech Springs Free Will Baptist Church
Tupelo/Salttilo MS

The poster features three images: a circular photo of the Beech Springs Free Will Baptist Church building, a green outline of the state of Mississippi with a red and white logo inside, and a portrait of Rev. David Taylor. Below the portrait is the caption "Rev. David Taylor".



Welcom to Beech Spings FWB

As Pastor at Beech Springs Free Will Baptist Church we're extending a warm welcom to attend our upcoming Mississippi FWB Association meeting that we are hosting.

It alarms me that attendance has deminished to the extent it has over the years.

Pray for and encourage your members to attend and be actively involved in the support of our association. We are BETTER

TOGETHER.

There are plenty of venues in our area to accomidate attendees. If we can assist, please let us know!

New Life Free Will Baptist Church

HOMECOMING

May 3rd at 10:30AM

Guest Singers:
The Hudson Family

REVIVAL

May 4th – 9th
 7:00 Nightly

Dr. Gerald Gann will be preaching

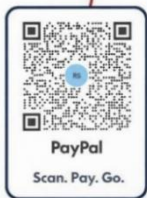
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If you have any questions about Morganwood, feel free to call @ 209-380-0505.

Yours in His Service,
RYAN SMITH
 Camp Administrator

VOLUNTEER & STAFF TRAINING DATES



March 14th: 9am-1pm

April 25th: 9am-1pm

Colossians 2: 6-7

ROOTED *in* CHRIST

PRUNED TO BLOOM

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026
9:00 AM



Guest Speaker
**MADELINE
WALLEY**

**BETHEL
FWB**
200 Free Will Church Road
Richton, MS 39467

More Information (601) 964-0510




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1. Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church (South MS Association) 2626 Union Road Richton, MS 39476 Contact Justin Walley 803 Umpqua Road Richton MS 39476 (601) 525-6357
2. Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church - Pontotoc, MS, looking for bi-vocational Youth Pastor- Contact Pastor Mike Ratliff @ 662-871-8791
3. Bethel Free Will Baptist Church 200 Freewill Church Rd, Richton, MS 39476 (South Mississippi FWB Association) Contact: Brother Joel Garner 62 Phillips Nursery Rd. Richton, MS 39476 Ph. 601 964-0049
4. Antioch Free Will Baptist Church (Little Brown Creek Association) – Brother Russell Clouse is serving as interim Pastor.



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We have been making updates on our church information on our website. PLEASE CLICK ON THE ABOVE LINK AND CHECK THE INFORMATION – SEND CORRECTIONS TO



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