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**New Lebanon Free Will Baptist Church**, 1195 Highway 364, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873; Directions: Located in the Paden Community

Many years ago, in what is now known as the Cairo Community near the Prentiss County line, Jack Lambert had a dream to build a church. He visited Ed Jourdan, Charlie White, and Bill Rushing to share his dream with them. The men promised their support if he would take the lead. Ed Jourdan and Jack Lambert donated land, and later J. R. Woodruff and D. C. Lambert donated land also. Ninny Nixon donated timber. Logs were cut and hauled to Charlie White's mill where they were sawed, and then carried back to build the sanctuary. The dream became a reality.

On the second Sunday of February 1921, a group of Free Will Baptists met at New Lebanon in Tishomingo County to organize a church. Charter members of the New Lebanon Free Will Baptist Church were Dave P. Rickard, Jack A. Lambert, Martha Howard Lambert, Maudie Lambert Helton, J. Benton Moss, Arthur McCoy, and Kate McCoy. Rev. G. P. Mayo was elected as the first pastor.

On February 28, 1942, a new sanctuary was built where the old one stood. In 1948, during the ministry of Rev. M. L. Hollis, 76 people were added to the church and 51 more were added in 1949. In 1966, J. S. and Ocene Whitehead donated land, and the church cemetery was enlarged. In 1967, a fund was established for the upkeep of the cemetery. In 1971, the "old church," which is now the fellowship hall, was bricked. In 1973, several Sunday School rooms were added. In 1976, J. S. and Ocene Whitehead donated more land, and a parsonage was built and dedicated. In 1985, under the leadership of Rev. Gerald Taylor, a beautiful new sanctuary was completed. Many people volunteered their labor, including J. S. Whitehead and D. W. Jones, Jr.

The New Lebanon Free Will Baptist Church is built on the county line, so people in Prentiss and Tishomingo Counties "literally" worship together. In the "old church," the preacher could actually preach while standing in both counties!

Throughout the years, the following ministers have served as pastor of New Lebanon:

Name of Pastor	Length of Service
G. P. Mayo	9 years
J. B. Moss	1 year
D. W. Jones, Sr.	15 years
M. L. Hollis	9 years
Burlon Jones	2 years
R. B. Freeman	2 years
J. L. Gore	2 years
J. S. Whitehead	1 year
Wesley Prince	1 year
D. W. Jones, Jr.	6 years
Curtis Briley	4 years
Paul Long	2 years
Mike Mutchler	2 years
Terry Booker	3 years
Vance Sexton	2 years
Gerald Taylor	6 years
Gene Gilbert	7 years
Steve Corbett	Current

By the grace of God and through the generosity of many, New Lebanon has become what it is today, a warm place of fellowship where people come together to worship and serve the Lord. New Lebanon is a very active fellowship and is located on Highway 364, Tishomingo, on the west side of the Tennessee Tombigbee Waterway.

The church cemetery, now overseen by a committee, is beautifully maintained. Homecoming services are held annually on the fourth Sunday of May.