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**Burgess Creek Freewill Baptist Church**, 394 County Road 55, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873  
Directions: Located in the Paden Community; turn right off of County Road 961 in S. Holcut  
Pastor: Allen Jones

The Burgess Creek Freewill Baptist Church was organized September 19, 1946, by Rev. G. P. Mayo. There were seven chartered members: George and Rosie Lambert, Elton and Emma Nichols, Mattie Bell Strickland, Hazel Gentle, and Arnell Nichols. The land for the original church was donated by the Strickland and Nichols families. When the land was surveyed for the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway, it was discovered that the church would have to be relocated. The final service was held on March 30, 1975. The members then started looking for a new location to rebuild the church. Two acres of land was purchased from the John Felker estate, and a new church was built which included an auditorium, three Sunday school rooms, and bathrooms. Later, two additional Sunday school rooms were added, and in 1988, a fellowship hall was started. Pastors of the first church were:

L. M. Wiggington	Elected 1947
R. A. Johnson	Elected 1949
C. P. Bray	Elected 1950
R. C. McCoy	Elected 1954
Burlon Jones	Elected 1955
Sidney Whitehead	Elected 1958
Rev. Johnson	Elected 1960
Travis Johnson	Elected 1961
Earnest Hopkins	Elected 1962
Berlon Jones	Elected 1964
No Pastor	1966
Gary Johnson	Elected 1967
Jerry House	Elected 1968
Ted Simmons	Elected 1972
R. C. Spencer	Elected 1974
Danny Short	Elected 1975
Lenarse Strickland	Elected 1979

Services in the new church facility began April 6, 19???. Pastors were:

Leonard Casabella	Elected 1981
Eulon Pruitt	Elected 1982
Tommy Wright	Elected 1986
Allen Jones	Elected 1990