

He is already there

One of my all-time favorite stories is about the panicking country boy who called the fire department to report his home on fire.



ROGER ALFORD

"Get over here," he shouted into the phone. "My house is burning down." The dispatcher said, "Calm down. Take a breath and tell me how we get there."

He replied, "Can't you just drive one of those big red trucks?"

That, of course, wasn't the answer the dispatcher needed. The truth is, when we're under extreme stress, we're prone to say some strange things. Words can just pop out.

In the Old Testament, we read about a man named Job who was in a terrible fix. All of his children had been killed, and he had lost all that he owned in calamities. To make matters worse, he was physically miserable because he was covered in painful boils from head to toe.

As he sat in a pile of ashes, his grief-stricken wife looked at his miserable situation and said, "Why don't you just curse God and die?"

As we read in Job 2:10, Job responded, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak."

Job's wife's words

were less than helpful. This poor, miserable fellow was likely hungry for a word of encouragement after all that he'd been through.

We should keep in mind that Job's wife also had lost everything and was in need of some encouragement as well. These two were

enduring great pain. And, at such a time, they found it difficult to be a comfort to one another.

It's at a time like that that we can be thankful that we have the comfort of the Almighty.

Unable to comfort one another, Job and his wife had nowhere to look other than God for relief. And, God is always ready to embrace us in his loving arms when we cry out to Him.

In God's word, we're told over and over again that He will comfort and strengthen us in our most difficult times.

Psalms 18:2, "The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold."

Isaiah 40:29-31 reads, "He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who

wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

It's in our deepest struggles that we come to understand the love and strength of our God.

When those tough times come, we must cling to the mighty hand of God.

Firefighters will race to us in those big red trucks. But God will already be there, because He never leaves us nor forsakes us, no matter what.

Reach Roger Alford at 502-514-6857 or rogeralford1@gmail.com.

OWENTON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Our pastor's message in the 9 a.m. service from Luke 2:8-20 was entitled "The Miracle of Christmas."

The passage revealed that the miracle of Christmas moved the mighty of heaven, marveled the maligned of earth, and manifested the mystery to the masses.

During the 11 a.m. service, our choir presented a powerful Christmas Cantata entitled, "I Call Him Lord."

This Sunday, we will not have the 9 a.m. service but will have Sunday school at 10 a.m., coffee and donut fellowship at 10:45 a.m. and a combined worship gathering at 11 a.m.

There will be no evening service or Wednesday service this week. The family life center will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

Plan to join us on Dec. 29 at the 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. service to hear Dylan Duval, a journeyman missionary with our International Mission Board. Dylan is presently serving in Jaque, Panama.

We will end our giving emphasis for the Lottie Moon International Mission Offering on that Sunday.

Our Main Street Youth ministry is growing spiritually and numerically. Come and be a part of this impactful time. The group meets each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. The Rooted Kids Ministry meets each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Our children's church ministry is offered during the 11 a.m. worship service.

The family life center is open on weekdays from

8 a.m. until 1 p.m., on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., and on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Our weekly service times are Sunday at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., and 6:30 p.m. The Sunday school gatherings start at 10 a.m. Our Wednesday service begins at 6:30 p.m.

Our church would like to remind you that you can connect with us through our website at owentonfbc.com, on Facebook at FBC Owenton, by downloading our church app, or by joining us on twitter or Instagram. You can also call the church office or email us at office@owentonfbc.com.

God bless you, your family and our community.

See you Sunday.

— Submitted



LEGAL NOTICE

ESTATE TO BE ADMINISTERED: Peggy Sue Bishop Ford ADMINISTRATORS: Michael David, 5610 Cull Rd Owenton, KY 40359

DATE OF ADMINISTRATION: 12/13/2024 6 MONTH DEADLINE FOR CLAIMS: 6/13/2025 ATTORNEY: Todd M. Spurgeon, P. O. Box 37 Owenton, KY 40359

ESTATE TO BE ADMINISTERED: Evelyn Hearne ADMINISTRATOR: Mike Hearne 9885 US Hwy 127N Sparta, KY 41086

FINAL SETTLEMENT FILED: 12/14/2024 10 DAY DEADLINE FOR CLAIMS: 12/30/2024 ATTORNEY: Andrew Schierberg, 73 Cavalier Blvd. Ste. 316 Florence, KY 41042

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MONTEREY BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Adult Bible study, Whatchamuhdoodles (formerly Rock Stars), and middle school youth meet on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Middle school and high school youth Bible study is held on Sundays at 6 p.m.

What a great worship service we had this past Sunday. The church was full. It is very satisfying to see young families with children attend each Sunday. On Sunday evening, we had our Christmas program. Special songs, the nativity and Santa completed the evening. Thank you to Tracy Carter for coordinating the program again this year.

There will be no activities at church on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1.

From our church family to yours, may you be blessed this Christmas season.

Please use the following link to make donations through PayPal to the church, at paypal.me/MBCofferings.

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City of Owenton will hold a Special Council meeting on December 27, 2024 at 5:00pm to discuss and hold the first reading of an ordinance to regulate microbreweries in the city limits.

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Thanks for your trust in us, and for making this community a wonderful place to beat the holidays and all year.

Please note we will have early deadlines for the newspaper Christmas and New Year week:

For the Dec. 27 issue, deadline will be Noon Friday, Dec. 20
For the Jan. 3 issue, deadline will be Noon Friday, Dec. 27

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
UNIFIED COURT OF JUSTICE
OWEN CIRCUIT COURT
Civil Action No. 24-CI-00023

ALAN LUEBBERS and CNA INVESTMENTS, LLC PLAINTIFFS

VS. REVISED NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

MARTYN WOOTEN ALDRIDGE, TROY ALDRIDGE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARTYN WOOTEN ALDRIDGE, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TROY ALDRIDGE, OWEN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ANP TAX LIEN CO. LLC

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered in the Owen Circuit Court on the 31st day of October, 2024, and subsequent Order entered December 4, 2024, I will sell at public auction on the front steps of the Owen County Courthouse, 100 North Thomas Street, Owenton, Kentucky, the property described herein located in Owen County, Kentucky, on MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., prevailing time, and more particularly described as follows:
Property address: 2645 Highway 36, Owenton, KY 40359
Map ID Number: 014-00-00-005.01

Being the same property conveyed to Guy W. Aldridge and Deloris Aldridge, husband and wife, from G. P. Whitehead and Shirley M. Whitehead, husband and wife, by Deed dated January 8, 1969, of record in Deed Book 114, Page 7, in the Office of the Owen County Court Clerk.

THERE IS NO MOBILE HOME, DOUBLEWIDE AND/OR MANUFACTURED HOME INCLUDED IN THIS SALE.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale is the sum of \$896.67, with accrued interest in the amount of \$249.56, as of October 1, 2024, plus administrative fees of \$115.00, prelitigation attorneys fees of \$594.87, reasonable attorneys fees of \$1,237.50, for a total amount due of \$3,093.60. In addition, the amount of money to be raised by this sale is the sum of \$797.12, with accrued interest in the amount of \$212.28, as of October 1, 2024, plus administrative fees of \$115.00, prelitigation attorneys fees of \$594.86, reasonable attorneys fees of \$1,237.50, for a total amount due of \$2,956.76. In addition, the court costs incurred for this action total \$899.45.

The real estate shall be sold on the terms of ten (10%) percent cash at the time of the sale, except that said deposit shall be waived if the Plaintiff is the successful bidder at the sale, and the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days bearing interest at the rate the judgment bears per annum from date of sale. When the purchase price is paid in full, the deed will be delivered to the purchaser. It is further provided that the property sold includes insurable improvements and the successful bidder at said sale shall, at bidder's own expense, carry fire and extended insurance coverage on said improvements from the date of sale until the purchase price is fully paid, to the extent of the Court appraised value of said improvements or the unpaid balance of the purchase price whichever is less, as a minimum, with a loss payable clause to the Special Master Commissioner of the Owen Circuit Court or the Plaintiff herein. Failure of the purchaser to effect such insurance shall not affect the validity of the sale or the purchaser's liability thereunder, but shall entitle, but not require, the Plaintiff Alan Luebbbers and CNA Investments, LLC, to effect said insurance and furnish the policy or evidence thereof to the Commissioner if it so desires, and the premium thereon or the proper portion thereof shall be charged to the purchaser as purchaser's costs.

The aforesaid property shall be sold free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, except the following:
a. All unpaid state, county and city real estate taxes for the year 2024;
b. Easements, restrictions, and stipulations of record;
c. Assessments for public improvements levied against the property; and,
d. Any facts which an inspection and/or accurate survey of the property may disclose.

For further information, see the Final Judgment and Order of Sale and pleadings of record in the Office of the Circuit Court of Carroll County.

/s/ Jake A. Thompson
JAKE A. THOMPSON
MASTER COMMISSIONER
OWEN CIRCUIT COURT