

County confirms paved over or unmarked graves in Decatur

February 24, 2021 Asia Ashley, The Champion newspaper

At least one grave and possibly more than 26 others have been discovered underneath or near Wilson Road in Decatur, according to DeKalb County CEO **Michael Thurmond**. The discovery comes after a decades-long request from **Fred Kinnemore** for the county to look into the possibility of the gravesites. The suspected burial sites are near a Black cemetery belonging to St. Paul Baptist Church and are believed to have been family members of church members.

"He shared that when he went off to Vietnam and came back, some persons who he believed was complicit with DeKalb County had proceeded to cut and pave a street through the cemetery that belonged to St. Paul Baptist Church," said Thurmond.

Three years ago, the county tapped New South Associates to conduct research on the history of the church and archaeological research on and along Wilson Road, which county officials say was paved in the 1960s.

"We went out and did an examination and verified that yes there were indeed grave markers and evidence of grave depressions that were within the area of the cemetery proper," said **Hugh Matternes** of New South Associates. "[Our ground penetrating radar specialist] identified 26 anomalies that had potential of being potential gravesites. They had qualities that they could not discount as potential gravesites and they generated these as things that might be of concern." Anomalies are referred to as various surfaces that are detected but to verify what lies underneath the property, the county would need permission to perform an excavation.

According to County Attorney **Vivian Estes**, to obtain a permit from DeKalb County Superior Court, the county would need to submit an archaeology report and retain a genealogist to determine the descendants of those buried and notify them of the burial ground.

"Then [we would] put together a mitigation plan to deal with the burial ground to submit to DeKalb Superior Court," Estes explained. "The court has to hold a public hearing and then determine on what ground to grant the county a permit and what the mitigation action would be."

During the Feb. 23 DeKalb County Board of Commissioners meeting, Thurmond issued an apology on behalf of the county to Kinnemore and the church for their decades-long wait in bringing attention to and addressing the matter. The county plans to issue a proclamation to Kinnemore for his efforts.

"Now that there is evidence that there is at least one burial site, it is incumbent upon us, not just as elected officials but as human beings to do everything we can to determine the amount of graves that are there, and if they are there, to take the next steps to determine if these remains are respected [and taken to an appropriate locations]," said Thurmond.

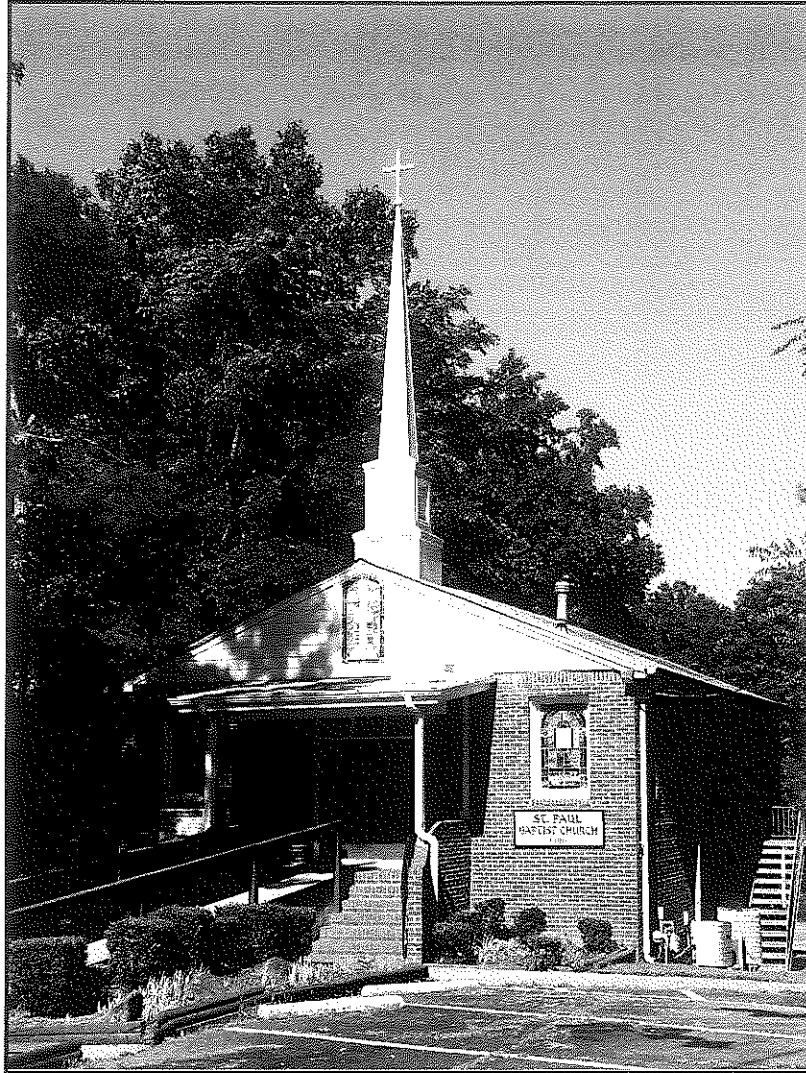
New South Associates's study can be found here:

<https://www.dekalbcountyga.gov/sites/default/files/St%20Paul%20Cemetery%20CRA%20Compiled%205-12-20.pdf>

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Need contact info. for Rev. Eddie Maseley

St. Paul Baptist Church



Saint Paul Baptist Church
(Photograph by Rebecca Crawford)

St. Paul Baptist Church was established over 111 years ago. In the years after the Civil War, although blacks were freed from slavery, it was nearly impossible for them to have access to learning how to read and write; thus, the early history is hard to trace. However, it is believed

that in the very early years the congregation met under a brush arbor. Deeds have been located showing the church's existence in 1898 on what is now known as Lawrenceville Highway.²⁸

{ where are base deeds?}

St. Paul Baptist Church History 2008

The church eventually built a new structure, located in Land Lot 163, on Wilson Road. Primarily a white area, a great deal of tension grew between the white community and the black congregation in the 1940s. St. Paul became the target of vandals who urinated in the lamps, defecated on the pulpit, broke windows and lights, and, in one instance, placed four sticks of dynamite under the building. In order to avoid an altercation while burying their loved ones in the church cemetery, a police escort was needed. Yet, the church continued to grow and thrive, and attract members from various parts of the county.

In 1948, in order to escape the harassment of their unwelcoming white neighbors, the congregation decided that it would be best to move. The land where the church stood was sold to Mr. Wilson, and the profits from the sale were used to purchase land from James Stokes. Reverend McQuire oversaw construction of the new building, located on 1396 Nelms Drive. The new building was a labor of love for the church members, as they worked to build the structure with their hands. Rice Kinnemore made the blocks, and every effort was made to use the materials salvaged from their old church.

While construction was underway, services could only be held twice a month. Mt. Zion A.M.E. assisted their new neighbors by allowing them to meet at their church every other Sunday. Until the congregation of St. Paul had enough money to construct a baptismal pool in the mid-1950s, they used the nearby creek to perform the rite.

The church continued to expand under the leadership of Reverend Gullet. Refusing to be paid for his services, he instead used all available money to build a vestibule on the front of the church. Reverend Gresham came to serve at the church in 1966. Upon his arrival, he found a building that was in poor condition and without indoor bathrooms. A new building was desperately needed, and members commenced a major fund raising campaign. In order to raise money, church members baked pastries, knitted mittens, made candles, and created various other goods to sell. The fund raising lasted seven years.

Although DeKalb County granted the church a building permit in January 1974, construction would not begin until two years later. Internal troubles arose between church members, and several people left the congregation. Eventually Fred Kinnemore became Deacon, and things began to move forward. Once more, the men dedicated their time and energy toward building the new structure, working nearly every Saturday until completion. Once the new building was finished, the women worked to make an inviting interior by adding finishing touches to the kitchen, bathrooms, and windows.

Reverend Eddie Mosely arrived at St. Paul in 2000. Since his arrival the improvements have continued. The congregation has also grown under his leadership, adding thirty-five new members in 2008 alone.

Although St. Paul has flourished since its move to Nelms Drive, the old cemetery for St. Paul Baptist Church remains on Wilson Road and serves as a reminder of where the church used to be and the struggles endured by the early members of the congregation.²⁹

Land Lot # 148

Dist. 18

Subject File: CHURCHES, BAPTIST, ST. PAUL (Black church)

Saint Paul Baptist church
to Co
Cemetery and Plat Drawing

KINNEMORE

Deed Book 118 page 324

30 June 1919 H.F. TALTON to Trustees
of the church.

George KINNEMORE

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Henry CARTER

Dallas ROSE

John H. CLAY

This church was originally located on Land lot #164 or 163?, 18th Dist. CeKalb County, GA at Montreal and Wilson Roads. The cemetery is still there with unmarked graves. The church was moved to Nelms Drive off LaVista Rd. land lot 148, 18th Dist. near the Mount Zion Church with a Black congregation, also.

SAINT PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH
1396 NELMS DRIVE
DECATUR, GEORGIA 30033

August 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Charles Coleman, - 371-2155

As per our conversation on 8-12-87, we have a church cemetery on Wilson Road, Decatur Georgia, DeKalb County, Land Lot 163, 18th District, Deed Book 118, page 324 recorded on July 8, 1919.

We are presently in the process of clearing the undergrowth and debris from the cemetery, and would like to know what the zoning ordinances of continued use and maintenance would be. There are two homes directly behind the cemetery, that was built knowing the cemetery was in their front yard. The right to use the road leading from their property to Wilson Road was given in their deed, D. B. 770 - Page 475 recorded July 11, 1949.

Wilson Road was originally dirt and later paved. We were not notified by Roads and Drainage prior to paving. We are uncertain at this time if any graves have been disturbed.

After relocating to 1396 Nelms Dr., there were still some burials performed at the Wilson Rd. location. There were also some graves that were moved to other locations. We feel that there are vacant spaces there, and it would be very beneficial if we could continue to use this as a burial site to motivate the continual upkeep of one of DeKalb's older cemeteries.

Fred L. Kinnemore
Assistant Chairman, Deacon Board
117 East Benson St.
Decatur, Ga. 30030
~~378-4480~~ - Home 404-320-6010
~~761-8220~~ - Work cell 404-304-6208

second part his heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described property to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, that the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand and affixed their seal, the day and year above written.

Witness, sealed and delivered in the

presence of:

W. H. Farris

ST. PABE'S BAPTIST CHURCH (COLORED)

BY: Charlie Wright (Seal)
Trustee

County Public

N. C. Seal

Filed for record June 30, 1949 at 9 o'clock A. M.

Recorded July 11, 1949.

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STATE OF GEORGIA DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INSTRUMENT, made this 19th day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty nine between CHARLIE WRIGHT, RENO FOWLER, ROBERT SEINMORE, & JOEM HENRY CLAY as trustees of St. Paul's Baptist Church (Colored) of the State of Ga. and County of Dekalb of the first part and Colio Wilson of the State of GEORGIA and Court of DEKALB of the second part,

WITNESSETH: that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration the sum of ten Dollars and other valuable considerations-----
in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and conveyed and by the presents do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part, heirs and assigns all that tract and parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 163 of the 1st District of Dekalb County, Ga., and being more particularly described as follows: ^{to 110.}
beginning at a point 93 feet from the south line of Wilson Road and the south line of land of John Hutson, and running thence south one hundred forty (140) feet; thence one hundred fifty (150) feet; thence north one hundred forty (140) feet; thence east one hundred fifty (150) feet to the point of beginning, containing one half acre more or less, and being part of the property conveyed to H. F. Talton by deed from C. A. Hartman of date March 9th, 1912, recorded in Deed Book 109, page 408, records of said County Clerk Superior Court of Dekalb County, Georgia, December 19th, 1917.
The parties herein agree, that the grantee herein and his successors or assigns shall have the right to use the road leading from the property herein described to Wilson Road which runs along the edge of the cemetery property of Saint Paul's Baptist Church.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in any way appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of him the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

party unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the full claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand affixed his seal, the day and year above written.

W. Noland
Notary Public, Georgia State at Large.
Seal (I. R. Stamp 50¢)

John Carey (Seal)

Recorded July 8th., 1919.

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STATE OF GEORGIA, DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 30th day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Hundred and Nineteen, 1919, between H. F. TALTON of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the first part, and GEORGE KENIMORE, HENRY CARTER and DALLAS ROSE and John H. Clay Trustees of St. Paul's Baptist Church, (Colored of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of TWO HUNDRED 00/100 DOLLARS, in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot One Hundred and Sixty Three (163) in the Nineteenth (18th) District of, originally Henry, now DeKalb County, Georgia, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a rock corner on the south line of land of John Hudson, and running thence south two hundred and fifty (250) feet; thence West one hundred and fifty (150) feet; thence North two hundred and fifty (250) feet; thence East one hundred and fifty (150) feet, to point of beginning, containing one acre, and being part of the property conveyed to H. F. Talton by deed from G. A. Hartrampf of date March 9th, 1912, recorded in Deed Book 109, Page 408, records of Deeds in Office Clerk Superior Court of DeKalb County, Georgia, December 19th, 1917.

The property hereby conveyed is to be used for Church Purposes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of them the said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

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And the said party of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described property unto the said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereto set his hand and affixed his seal, the day and year above written.

Witness my hand and seal, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Johnston

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H. F. Talton

(Seal)

Mason Notary Public, State of Georgia at Large.
(Seal) (T. P. Street No. 7)

Witnessed July 8th., 1919.

Claw

1919-10-10

Trees down

Ada Kinner

George Kinner

Grace Smith

Minnie Smith

Rodie B Smith

Clarence Nelson

Rosalie Nelson

Lou Erick

Dellie Wright

John Slippy Wright

John Henry Clary

Maggie Clary

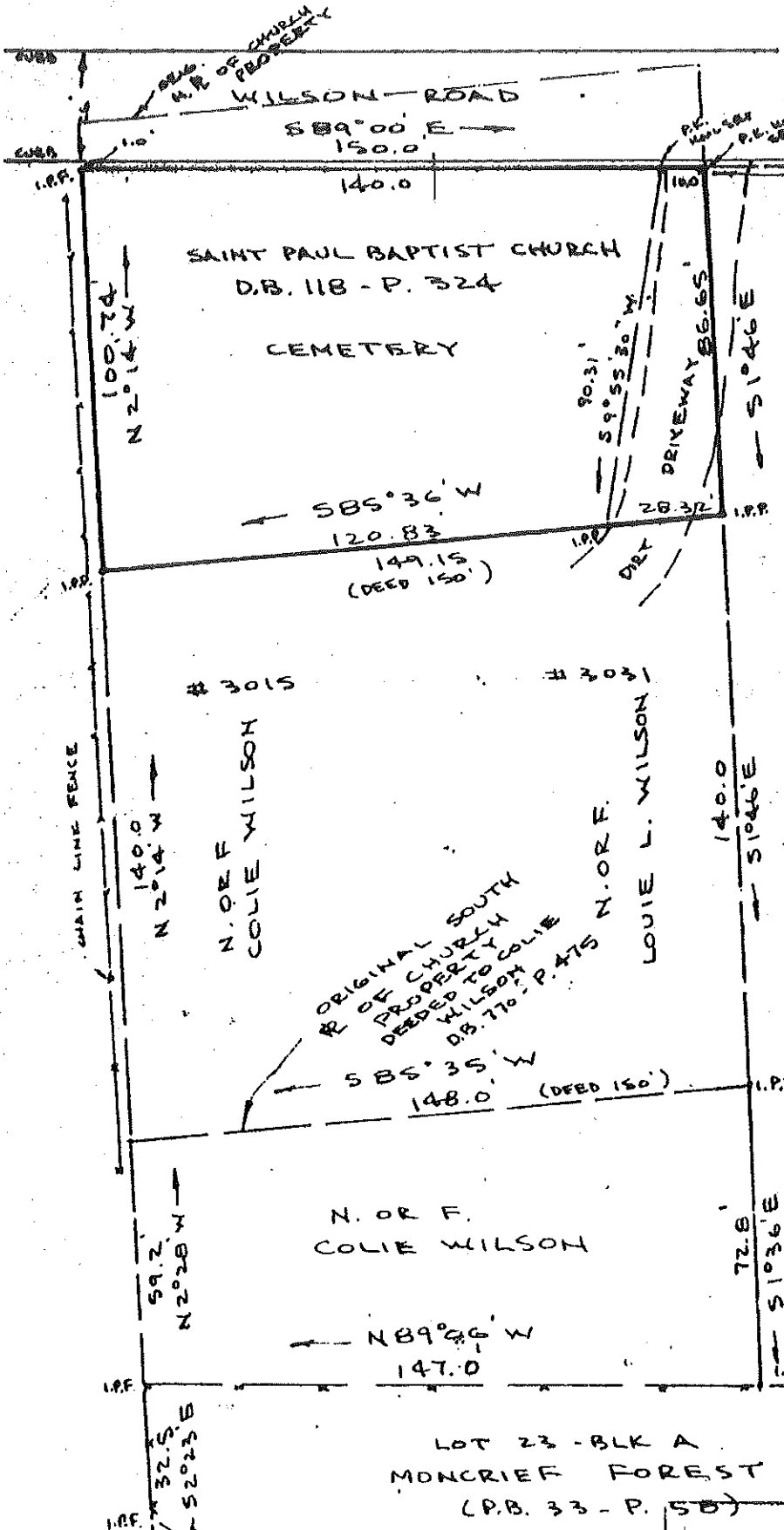
Judy Price

Wm Price

Little Mary Elizabeth

SCALE

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416.2' TO CURB LINE OF MONCRIEF CIRCLE (IF EX) (MEASURED 11.0' BEHIND FACE CURB WILSON ROAD)

N. OR F. FAYE GAYNELL PRIEST

CHAIN LINE FENCE

N. OR F. VIRGIL L. WARREN

SAINT PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH
D.B. 118 - P. 324
CEMETERY

N. OR F. COLIE WILSON

ORIGINAL SOUTH
R. OF CHURCH
PROPERTY
DEEDED TO COLIE
WILSON
D.B. 770 - P. 475

LOUIE L. WILSON

N. OR F. COLIE WILSON

LOT 23 - BLK A
MONCRIEF FOREST
(P.B. 33 - P. 58)

PROPERTY OF
SAINT PAUL BAPTIST

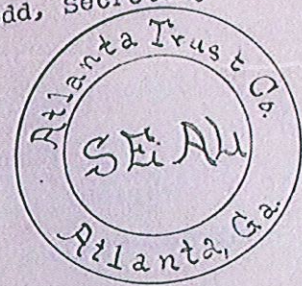
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other person or persons claim
right, title or interest to the aforesaid premises

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said party of the first part
and affixed its seal by its proper officers the day and year first above written.
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

W. J. Logan
O. Lee Gordon
Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia.
(N.P. SEAL)

ATLANTA TRUST COMPANY
By Geo. S. Lowndes, Vice-President
By J. Scott Todd, Secretary



Recorded November 23, 1915.

B. F. Burgess

Clerk.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 4th day of Feb. in the year of our Lord One Thousand
Nine Hundred and Fifteen between W. T. Miller of the State of Geo. and County of DeKalb of
the first part, and John Sheppard, Trustee of St. Paul Baptist Church of the State of
Geo. and County of DeKalb of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That the said part of the first part, for and in consideration of
the sum of Two Hundred DOLLARS, in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of
these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold
and conveyed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said par-
ty of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land lying and
being in County of DeKalb in said State and described as follows:

Part of land lot #145. in the 18th land District in DeKalb County Lying in the
southeast corner of said lot, containing one acre or two hundred and ten square feet.
Bounded on the South by Sams, on the West by Miller, on the North by Miller and on the
East by Lewis. Also a right a way sixteen feet from the Southeast corner to public road
running to Clarkston.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular
the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in anywise
appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second
part, his heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said party of the first part, for his heirs, executors and administra-

tors will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described property into the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal, the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

H. F. Talton

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W. F. Miller

(SEAL)

W. J. Langley, J. P.

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(J.P. SEAL)

(I.R. STAMPS 50¢)

Recorded November 25, 1915.

B. F. Burgess

Clerk.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 22nd day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen (1915) between George Kimmemore, John Clegg, Henry Carter, Dallas Ambrose, as Trustees of Saint Paul Baptist Church, and John Sheppard of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the first part, and C. A. Matthews of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the second part, for and in consideration of

H. F. Talton
W. J. Langley, J. P.
(J.P. SEAL)
(I.R. STAMPS 50¢)

W. T. Miller
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(SEAL)

Recorded November 23, 1915.

B. F. Burgess Clerk.

STATE OF GEORGIA,
DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 22nd day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen (1915) between George Kinnemore, John Clegg, Henry Carter, Dallas Ambrose, as Trustees of Saint Paul Baptist Church, and John Sheppard of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the first part, and C. A. Matthews of the State of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-One & 35/100 DOLLARS, in hand paid at and before the seal-ing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in land lot one hundred forty-five (145), in the eighteenth (18th) district of DeKalb County, Georgia, lying in the southeast corner of said land lot, containing one acre, or two hundred square feet.

Bounded on the South by Sams, on the West by Miller, on the North by Miller, and on the East by Lewis. Also, a right of way sixteen feet from the southeast corner to public road, running to Clarkston. Being the same land conveyed to John Sheppard, Trustee, by W. T. Miller, by deed dated February 4th, 1915.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of him the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said parties of the first part, for themselves heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described property unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals, the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Alexander MacDougald
B. F. Burgess
Clerk Superior Court DeKalb Co., Ga.
(I.R. STAMPS 50¢)

0 George Kinnemore (L.S.)
0 John Clegg (SEAL)
0 Henry Carter (SEAL)
0 Dallas Ambrose (SEAL)
0 As Trustees of St. Paul Baptist Church (SEAL)
0 John Sheppard

Recorded November 23, 1915.

B. F. Burgess Clerk.

Notary
N. P. Seal

Filed for record June 30, 1949 at 9 o'clock A. M.
Recorded July 11, 1949.

Ben B. Burgess CLERK

STATES OF GEORGIA DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 19th day of May in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty nine Between CHARLIE WRIGHT, RENO FOWLER, ROBERT SKINMORE, & JOHN HENRY CLAY as trustees of St. Paul's Baptist Church (Colored) of the State of Ga. and County of Dekalb of the first part and Colie Wilson of the State of GEORGIA and County of DEKALB of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars and other valuable considerations----- in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and conveyed and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns all that tract and parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 163 of the 18th District of Dekalb County, Ga., and being more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at a point 93 feet from the south line of Wilson Road and the south line of land of John Hudson, and running thence south one hundred forty (140) feet; thence west one hundred fifty (150) feet; thence north one hundred forty (140) feet; thence east one hundred fifty (150) feet to the point of beginning, containing one half acre more or less, and being part of the property conveyed to H. F. Talton by deed from G. A. Hartrampf of date March 9th, 1912, recorded in Deed Book 109, page 408, records of deeds in Office Clerk Superior Court of Dekalb County, Georgia, December 19th, 1917. The grantors herein agree that the grantee herein and his successors or assigns shall have the right to use the road leading from the property herein described to Wilson Road which runs along of the edge of the cemetery property of Saint Paul's Baptist Church.

Driveway
Egson

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in any wise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of him the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said parties of the first part, for themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described property unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, That the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand and affixed their seal, the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the
presence of:
W. H. Parris
L. A. Fisher
Notary Public, Dekalb County, Georgia.
My Commission Expires March 16, 1952.
N. P. Seal

BY: ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH (COLORED)
BY: Charlie Wright (Seal)
Trustee
BY: Robert L. Kinmore (Seal)
Trustee
BY: Reno Fowler (Seal)
Trustee
BY: John H. Clegg (Seal)
Trustee

Filed for Record June 30, 1949
at nine o'clock A. M.
July 11, 1949

Ben B. Burgess CLERK

ministrators will warrant and
property unto the said party of the second part,
lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand
and affixed his seal, the day and year above written.
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

F. M. Noland

Robt. C. Eve Notary Public, Georgia State at Large.
(H. P. Seal) (I. R. Stamp 50¢)

John Garey (Seal)

Recorded July 8th., 1919.
B. J. Burgess Clerk.

STATE OF GEORGIA, DEKALB COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, made this 30th day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand
Nine Hundred and Nineteen, 1919, between H. F. TALTON of the State of Georgia and
County of DeKalb of the first part, and GEORGE KENIMORE, HENRY CARTER and DALLAS
AMBROSE and John H. Clay Trustees of St. Paul's Baptist Church, (Colored of the State
of Georgia and County of DeKalb of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the
sum of TWO HUNDRED 00/100 DOLLARS, in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery
of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained,
sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the
said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns, all that tract
or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot One Hundred and Sixty Three (163) in the
Eighteenth (18th) District of, originally Henry, now DeKalb County, Georgia, and more
particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a rock corner on the south line of land of John Hudson, and running
thence south two hundred and fifty (250) feet; thence West one hundred and fifty (150)
feet; thence North two hundred and fifty (250) feet; thence East one hundred and fifty
(150) feet, to point of beginning, containing one acre, and being part of the property
conveyed to H. F. Talton by deed from G. A. Hartrampf of date March 9th, 1912, recorded
in Deed Book 109, Page 408, records of Deeds in Office Clerk Superior Court of DeKalb
County, Georgia, December 19th, 1917.

The property hereby conveyed is to be used for Church Purposes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singular
the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in any-
wise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of them the said parties
of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said party of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and ad-
ministrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above described
property unto the said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns,
against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand
and affixed his seal, the day and year above written.
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Ruby Johnston

H. F. Talton (Seal)

E. H. Mason Notary Public, State of Georgia at Large.
(H.P. Seal) (I. R. Stamps 50¢)

Recorded July 8th., 1919. B. J. Burgess Clerk.

Robt. C. Eve Notary Public, Georgia State at Large.)
(N. P. Seal) (I. R. Stamp 50¢))

Recorded July 8th., 1919.

W. J. Ranges C.

STATE OF GEORGIA, DEKALB COUNTY.

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The property hereby conveyed is to be used for Church Purposes.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said bargained premises, together with all and singu the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging or in wise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of them the said pa of the second part, their successors heirs and assigns forever, IN FEE SIMPLE.

And the said party of the first part, for himself, his heirs, executors and ministrators will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the above des property unto the said parties of the second part, their successors heirs and ass against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said party of the first part has hereunto set his ha and affixed his seal, the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

Ruby Johnston

↓ H. F. Talton

E. H. Mason Notary Public, State of Georgia at Large, ↓
(N. P. Seal) (I. R. Stamps 50¢)

Recorded July 8th., 1919. *W. J. Ranges*

