

PLEASANT GROVE



## REFLECTIONS

December 20, 2017

MINISTER  
GREG L. LONG

MUSIC MINISTER  
GREG WILSON

YOUTH/OUTREACH MINISTER  
ASHLEY BRAMBLETT

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# CHRISTMAS EVE LORD'S SUPPER SERVICE



**Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**3:00 PM**

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

On Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, we will have our **8:30 AM** service and Sunday School, however, our **10:45 AM** service has been dismissed. We will have our Christmas Eve Lord's Supper Service at **3:00 PM**. Wed. evening services for December 27<sup>th</sup> have also been dismissed.

## Newsletter News

We will not be publishing a newsletter for the weeks of December 27<sup>th</sup> and January 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will have an issue published for January 10<sup>th</sup>.

## WMU Annual Food Collection

The WMU food collection for the Chilhowee Baptist Center has begun and will continue through Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. We will be collecting any non-perishable food item, as well as toiletries. The holiday season is always a very busy time for the Baptist Center. Hopefully, this annual collection will help them re-stock their shelves.

## 2017 Contribution Statements

You can receive your 2017 contribution statement by calling the church office (977-1526), turning in an "I Wish" card with your name and phone number, or by going to our website ([pgbctn.org](http://pgbctn.org)) and filling out an online "I Wish" card. The office is only able to give statements for those who used offering envelopes with their name on the envelope. We have no other records of giving without the use of envelopes. Statements will be mailed starting the week of January 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Security Volunteers

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Service & Dan Blevens & Bobby Gamble  
Sunday School

Please contact Vernon Stephens or turn in an "I Wish" card if you would be willing to volunteer.

Christian Sympathy

To the family of Jamie Wayman  
Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. PS. 116:15

**Welcome New Member**

Larry Ellis by Letter

**Thank You Note**

The family of James Harold Hembree wants to thank our church family for your thoughtfulness during his illness and passing. The phone calls, cards, and food were greatly appreciated. Thank you,

Peggy Hembree and Family

**Note From The Ledfords**

Merry Christmas! We miss you all. We wish you a wonderful Christmas.

Joe and Linda Ledford

**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**

Church Goal: \$13,000

Received to date: \$6145

**CHURCH MEETINGS**

Church Office Closed	Mon. Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup>	
Lord's Supper Service	Sun. Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Both AM Services

**2018 Offering Envelopes**

The boxes of 2018 envelopes are available for pick up in the hallway near the foyer. If you used envelopes in 2017, please look for the box with YOUR name on the top. If you were not using envelopes in 2017 but would like to begin using them in 2018, please pick up a box that has NO name on the top and take the lowest number available. According to the IRS, you must use offering envelopes to receive a statement of giving from the church for tax purposes. Be sure to discard your 2017 envelopes.

**Business Meeting**

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church met in regular business meeting with Rev. Greg Long presiding. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Organization and department reports were given. Finance report for November was presented. The Sunday School average attendance for November was 206, average contacts were 178. Diann Ringer reported for the WMU. Eleven more shoeboxes were delivered to the Baptist Center. Thank you to the Happy Helpers SS Class and the GAs. Twenty-one boxes of food, baby items and random food items were delivered to the Chilhowee Baptist Center for Christmas. Thank you to everyone for the donations. Christmas cards from WMU were mailed to our homebound members. Mike Rasher reported for the Trustees. Three TVs installed and two TVs were put on rolling stands. Church is currently being pressured washed. Several smaller maintenance items have been completed. Jerri Thompkins reported for the Homebound Ministry. Christmas cards have been sent to all homebound members. The Person of the Week ministry for 2018 will begin in early February. Please retain the 2017 schedules until next year's schedules are in place, as much of the data is still valid. We thank everyone involved for remembering our Homebound and sending them cards.

**Old Business:** The 2018 Proposed Church Budget that was presented at November Business meeting was approved.

**New Business:** None

Dan Blevens motioned to adjourn. All in favor.

Greg Long, Moderator  
Lisa Welch, Acting Clerk

JANUARY EARLY MORNING GREETERS  
Doyle & Carolyn Sloan