

PLEASANT GROVE



# REFLECTIONS

March 21, 2018

MINISTER  
GREG L. LONG

MUSIC MINISTER  
GREG WILSON

YOUTH/OUTREACH MINISTER  
ASHLEY BRAMBLETT

# Easter Schedule



**April 1, 2018**

Resurrection Service	Sanctuary	8:00 AM
Breakfast	Fellowship Hall	8:45 AM
Sunday School		9:30 AM
Adult Cantata		10:45 AM

## WMU March Mission Action

The Chilhowee Baptist Center is preparing for their annual spring event, "The Resurrection Celebration". Last year, over 250 families received a container. The information concerning this year's event will be distributed through the Sunday School classes. Information will also be available on the table located beside the Sunday School office. Collection will run through Sunday, March 25, 2018. Another way to help is to bring individual packages of paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent or cleaner which will be used to fill baskets at the Baptist Center.

Place completed containers and any extra items in the hallway next to the Sunday School office. Please mark through bar codes.

In order to ensure consistency and fairness to all our clients, the sizes and quantities are listed for you:

- 10 gal/40qt Plastic Tote box
- 2 new bath towels (nice, thick good quality & matching color)
- 2 new wash cloths (nice, thick good quality & matching color)
- 1 shampoo, 16 oz. minimum
- 3 pack/bar soap
- 1 tube toothpaste, 6 oz. minimum
- 2 toothbrushes (adult)
- 1 laundry detergent, 32-50 loads
- 1 dish detergent, 25 oz.
- 4 pack (double roll) toilet paper
- 1 All Purpose Spray Cleaner 32 oz.

## Security Volunteers

Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Service & Ken Johnson & Mike Rasher  
 Sunday School  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Service Mike Morrell

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

## **KIT GROUP OUTING**

The KIT Group will be going to Bell Buckle, TN on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, to eat lunch at Bell Buckle Grill. The bus will leave the church at 7:30 AM. RSVP to Johnnie Moore at 865-982-2721 by April 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Church Clean-Up Day**

The Trustees are asking for volunteers to help organize and clean inside the church on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 9 AM – 12 Noon. Sign-up sheets will be located in the church hallway.

### **The Cross and The Resurrection**

With Easter just around the corner, we need to let God help us focus on some key truths in our lives. We should all agree that the Cross was a must. God demanded a perfect sacrifice, and His Son was the only one who could provide what God demanded. Many times, Christians get stalled at the Cross; they begin to think God's final Word was death, but that is far from the truth. Yes, the Cross was a must, but so was the Resurrection! It was an absolute necessity! When you look at the Cross, never forget the Resurrection! That will remind you that God's final Word was not death-rather, it is LIFE!

Please ponder these three questions:

1. How is the Cross and the Resurrection affecting my daily life?
2. Is my life centered on the Cross and the Resurrection?
3. Is the Cross and the Resurrection shaping my life?

Listen as God speaks and enjoy a growing relationship with the One who loves you most!

## **CHURCH MEETINGS**

<b>Deacons' Meeting</b>	<b>Sun. Mar. 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4:30 PM</b>
<b>Church Office Closed</b>	<b>Fri. Mar. 30<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>Sun. Apr. 1<sup>st</sup></b>	
<b>WMU Meeting</b>	<b>Wed. Apr. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>

## **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 February was presented. The Sunday School average attendance for February was 174, average contacts were 211. Mike Rasher reported for the Trustees. The ice machine was repaired. Spring clean-up day is scheduled for April 14<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed. Trustees are working on ways to cut down on utility cost. Diann Ringer reported for the WMU. Easter cards were mailed to homebound members. Thank you to everyone that has donated totes for the Baptist Center. Collection of Resurrection Baskets will continue to March 25<sup>th</sup>. Two large packs of toilet paper and dish detergent were purchased for the Baptist Center from WMU. Jerri Thompkins reported for the Homebound Ministry. The ministry is going well with seven weeks into the new schedule. Easter cards will go out later this week. The ministry seems to keep branching out and growing with great enthusiasm. Please know that the card ministry is not exclusive to any particular group or person. It is church wide and open to all. Bottom line: Keep sending cards.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business: WMU recommended that the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering goal be \$10,000. Passed.**

**Motion by Doyle Sloan with a 2nd by Kenneth Johnson to grant request for church letter for Jane Reed to Mount Lebanon Baptist Church. Passed.**

**Marty Mueller motioned to adjourn. All in favor.**

**Greg Long, Moderator  
Lisa Hill, Acting Clerk**