



REFLECTIONS

October 4, 2023

MINISTER
GREG L. LONG

MUSIC MINISTER
GREG WILSON

YOUTH/OUTREACH MINISTER
ASHLEY BRAMBLETT



FALL FESTIVAL

The church is hosting a Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, October 29th, from 5:00-7:00 PM. We are in need of candy donations and prizes that are not candy (for children with allergies). We ran out of candy last year, so having lots of donations this year will be tremendously helpful. Please drop off all donations in the baskets located in the foyer.

We also need people to sign up to decorate their cars and hand out candy. You can sign up by writing your name on the sign-up sheet in the foyer near the baskets or by texting/calling (865) 323-4771 (Brittany). We will invite the community and hope to have a great turnout, so donations and volunteers are much needed! Thank You!

BLUE OVALS

In West Tennessee's Haywood County, Christians are experiencing an exploding population due to the construction of Ford's BlueOval City truck plant. The church's loving and intentional response is an example for us here at PGBC since there will be a **SIZEABLE** increase in population right across the road from our church. There are 122 houses slated to be built soon (plus sixteen recent builds). The **BLUE OVALS** in our church halls and classrooms are here to challenge us to humbly, persistently, and consistently **PRAY** about our local population explosion. We call this our **BLUE OVAL** challenge.

Security Volunteers

Sunday, October 8th

1st Service &
Sunday School

Jonathan Long

2nd Service

Andy Waters

Please contact Vernon Stephens or turn in the response card in your bulletin if you would be willing to volunteer.

Homebound Member of the Week

8-14

Carol Davidson

919 Wilder Chapel Ln.
Maryville, TN 37804

Children's Praise

Children Praise and Worship will return for the fall on Wednesday, Oct. 11th, from 6:30-7 PM. Some of our older youth, India Bramblett and Seth Taylor, will lead the singing and are both engaging and enthusiastic.

Jessica Waters will be overseeing them and managing and assisting the children. You are welcome to text Jessica with any questions at (865) 679-4598.

Golf Tournament

There will be a golf tournament this Saturday, October 7th, at Lambert Acres Golf Club. Tee times start at 8:00 AM, and there will be teams of four. There is a sign-up sheet located on the table in the foyer hallway.

Congratulations Pastor Greg

Everyone is invited to attend a reception to celebrate Pastor Greg's 30th anniversary at PGBC. The reception will be Sunday, October 15th, in the fellowship hall following late service. Food and beverages will be provided. All that's needed is to show up and help us celebrate Greg's outstanding achievement.

Look forward to seeing you there,
Your Deacon Body

CBC BLANKET DRIVE

This fall/winter season, the Baptist Center is in need of NEW BLANKETS. They are in need of NEW- king, queen, full, and twin blankets.

The WMU will be collecting blankets now through Sunday, October 15th. Please place them on the table located next to the Sunday School office.

Deacons' Meeting

Deacons, please note a date change for the October Deacons' meeting. It will be on Sunday, October 8th at 4:30 PM.

KIT Meeting

KIT will be on Wednesday, October 18th, at 11 AM. Everyone is welcome.

The Senior Decorating Committee

The Senior Decorating Committee requests help this year for the upcoming Christmas holiday. We need four or five volunteers to help decorate the church for Christmas. We also need two strong arms to help with some of the heavier items. If you want to volunteer, please get in touch with Fran England at (865) 771-0980. You can leave a voice mail or send a text message. I will return your call. -Fran

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts brings joy to the hearts of boys and girls in more than 100 countries where Samaritan's Purse local partners deliver the boxes along with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For some children, it is their first ever gift. Many shoebox recipients also participate in the follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey.

Please pray for the boys and girls in need around the world, guidance for ministry partners as they distribute the gifts, and for volunteers who handle the logistics of getting the shoeboxes around the globe.

Shoebox collection will start now through Wednesday, November 15th. A donation of \$10 per shoebox has been requested to cover shipping and processing. Check the table in the foyer for materials.

"I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people." (Luke 2:10, ESV)