

REFLECTIONS

August 14, 2024

Interim Pastor Dr. Doug White

MUSIC MINISTER GREG WILSON YOUTH MINISTER ASHLEY BRAMBLETT



Sunday Night Song Service

We will have a special Sunday Night Song Service on Sunday, August 25th, at 6:00 PM in the sanctuary, followed by homemade ice cream in the Fellowship Hall. Please let DiAnne or Greg Wilson know if you can bring a freezer of ice cream to share.

TEE SHIRT FUNDRAISER

With a future mission trip to Costa Rica already in the works, Pleasant Grove is working to raise money to grow our Mission Fund. To help accomplish this goal, we are selling tee shirts with the message "Serve" written across the front.

The cost per shirt is \$25, and \$10 of that money will go to the mission fund. Shirts are available in three colors (blue, gray, or pink) and in adult sizes S-3X and youth sizes M-L (XS and S youth sizes may also be available if we have enough orders. Please see Nina or David Schultz for details on these sizes).

You can place your order using the signup sheet on the table in the foyer hallway. The signup sheet provides the order details, and there are envelopes in which to place your cash or check. Please place envelopes in the designated collection box. The fundraiser will run through Sunday, September 1st.

KIT Meeting

KIT will start again on Wednesday, September 18th, at 11 AM. Join us for some food and fellowship, and bring a friend!

Security Volunteers

Sunday, August 25th

1st Service & Sunday School

Leon Roddy

2nd Service Stanley Janeway

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

Wedding Shower

Pleasant Grove is hosting a wedding shower for Anna Bustin and her fiancé Dan O'Brien on Sunday, September 1st, immediately following 2nd service in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us in celebrating with them and encouraging them as they prepare for their coming marriage. Anna and Dan are registered at Amazon and Crate & Barrel. Please address questions to Salena Waters.

New Sunday Class

Tom Stanley will teach a new class beginning September 7th at 6 PM. The class is about dispensational truth, or God's plan and purpose in the ages. It's essentially a study of the seven dispensations from the Garden of Eden until the millennial reign of Christ.

Costa Rica Donations Extended

Costa Rica needs clothing and shoes of all sizes (infants to adults). The shipment date for the donations has been pushed back to September 20th. If you have any items at home that you no longer use, please bring them to church by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 15th</u>. Please place the clothing items in the labeled bins in the foyer, and we will see that the donations get to them. Thank you!

New items:

In addition to the clothing, we are now collecting school supplies and portable basketball goals. These donations may be placed in the same bins as the clothing donations. Mattress Fund:

We are also raising money to purchase mattresses. If you want to make a donation, please write "mattress fund" on the check memo/offering envelope line.

CHURCH MEETINGS

Deacons' Meeting	Sun. Aug. 25 th	Noon
WMU Meeting	Wed. Sept. 4th	6:30 PM
Men's Breakfast	Sat. Sept. 7 th	8:00 AM

BUSINESS MEETING

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church met in regular business meeting with Brent Bustin presiding. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Organization and department reports were given. Finance report for July was presented. The Sunday School average attendance for July was 160, average contacts were 115. Diann Ringer reported for the WMU. We are collecting cleaning supplies for the Baptist Center until August 31st. In September, we will collect donations for the Golden Offering and blankets for the Baptist Center. Stanley Janeway reported for the trustees. We contacted the Blount County Sheriff's Department about who to contact regarding the trailer left in the church parking lot. The contact number would not respond, so Butler's Wrecker Service has hauled it away. The overhead fascia on the front porch has been painted. Additional grab bars have been installed in some of the restrooms. There is wind damage to the soffit end of the dormer facing Tuckaleechee Pike. We have one estimate on the repairs that need to be done. We will decide how to fix the issue once more estimates come in. An overhead light in the church office has been repaired, and a ground fault plug has been installed in the pavilion restroom. Due to the trustees' request, Emily Effler cleaned some of the carpets in the church. Thank you, Emily, for your hard work.

Old Business: None

New Business: Trustees recommend purchasing an AC/heat unit and two heating units for an estimated cost of \$18,000. Passed

Deacons request that a homeschool committee be formed to help facilitate the homeschool co-op that meets at the church every Friday. Passed

Committee on Committees and Nominating Committee presented a list of committees for the upcoming 2024-2025 year. Passed

Marty Mueller motioned to adjourn. All in favor. Brent Bustin, Moderator Lisa Hill, Church Clerk