



PLEASANT
GROVE

BAPTIST
CHURCH

REFLECTIONS

April 22, 2026

PASTOR
JUSTIN RANDOLPH

MUSIC MINISTER
GREG WILSON

YOUTH MINISTER
DAVID HAMMONDS



KIT Group Outing

Join us for a KIT Group outing to Cooper's Restaurant at the Hilton Knoxville Airport on Tuesday, May 12th. We will meet for lunch at 11:30, and the bus will leave from the church at 11:15. Lunch is a buffet, and the price per person is \$17.01 with tax (a senior discount is available). A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer hallway. Please sign up by May 10th to reserve your spot.

Golf Scramble

Join us for a 4-person golf scramble! Saturday, May 9th at 9:00 AM at Lambert Acres Golf Club. Please sign up by this Sunday, April 26th, to reserve your spot. Everyone is welcome!

Decoration Day

Decoration Day is Sunday, May 10th. The Pleasant Grove Cemetery Annual meeting will be Saturday, May 9th, at 5:00 PM in room 30 at the church. Please plan to attend. We look forward to seeing our cemetery adorned in beautiful flowers to honor those gone before.

Here are a few reminders as you decorate:

Please secure large sprays to the top of headstones. When arrangements are blown off the headstones, we do not know where they belong. Please do not put metal ornaments on graves as they pose a danger to our mowers. Metal ornaments are hard to see and damage a mower if it is caught by a blade. The cemetery committee takes pride in maintaining our cemetery.

Your donations make it possible to pay for mowing on a weekly basis which is now \$400.00 each week. We appreciate every contribution. You may mail your contributions to Pleasant Grove Cemetery Fund, 3736 Tuckaleechee Pike, Maryville, TN 37804. Please make checks payable to Pleasant Grove Cemetery Fund. We will also provide donation boxes in the cemetery for your convenience. Thank you for your support. For questions about the cemetery, contact Dan Blevens at 776-6035.

Mementos Available

TROPHIES, PLAGUES, AND CERTIFICATES lining the back hallway are being cleaned out, and the area repurposed. If you are interested in any of these mementos, please help yourself to them by the end of May.

Baseball Game

Join us for a Smokies Baseball outing on Friday, May 22nd at 7:00 PM! Tickets are \$20 if purchased in advance. We'll be seated together as a group, and transportation is on your own. Be sure to sign up and submit payment by May 3rd to reserve your spot.

The Joshua Mission

The Joshua Mission is a homebound ministry offering visits and cards to the sick, widows, and shut-ins. It includes those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Would you be willing to join us in supporting this ministry?

There is a display and members available to answer any questions and sign you up in the side hallway. Make sure to stop and thank them for all they do.

Graduation Recognition

Graduate recognition will be held on May 17th during the second service (10:45 AM). Please add the name of your high school senior, college, or vocational school graduate to the signup sheet in the foyer hallway. We would love to have some pictures of your graduate. Bring or send your photos to Trevis Gardner (pgbc.media@outlook.com). The deadline is Sunday, May 10th. Thank you!

Wednesday Night Dinners

Come at 5:30 PM each week and enjoy dinner and fellowship. Please bring a side dish, drinks, or desserts that go along with our main course.

Apr. 22nd: Pizza

Apr. 29th: Hamburgers

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 2nd, from 8–9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

BUSINESS MEETING

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church met in regular business meeting with Pastor Randolph presiding. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved. Organization and department reports were given. Finance report for March was presented. The Sunday School average attendance for March was 200, average contacts were 124. Pastor Randolph gave a pastoral report for the past months. Ginger Hatley reported for the WMU. Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Annie Armstrong offering. Collection will continue throughout April. Beginning in May, we will be accepting donations for CHARM ministries. See the newsletter for more details. Dan Blevens reported for the Trustees. Trustees have completed the following items: Pavilion kitchen and restrooms are now open and have been cleaned; sanctuary leak repaired and stains painted; AC pipe cracks sealed; playground equipment repaired; one toilet repaired; youth classroom painted; drain in water fountain cleaned, and the water fountains are working. The lift is scheduled to be installed next week. Dan Blevens reported for the Audit Committee. The 2025 audit report was presented. David Hammonds reported for the Youth. A total of 17 youth participated in the Good Friday crosswalk and had a get-together at the Smiths' home.

Old Business: None

New Business: Andy Waters presented the consideration to hold the business meeting at 7 PM or to have a quarterly business meeting. Stanley Janeway suggested a business meeting every other month. Tabled until the May meeting.

Stephanie Randolph motioned to adjourn. All in favor.

Justin Randolph, Moderator

Lisa Hill, Church Clerk