



## REFLECTIONS

October 28, 2026

PASTOR  
JUSTIN RANDOLPH

MUSIC MINISTER  
GREG WILSON

YOUTH MINISTER  
DAVID HAMMONDS



### *CBC Christmas Celebration*

Feels a lot like Christmas! Once again, the Chilhowee Baptist Center is preparing for its annual Christmas Celebration. Last year, the CBC provided 200 Christmas meal boxes, plus bags of snack food for the kids and baby gift bags. This year, there are three ways you can support the CBC with this big event.

First, this year we are requesting a monetary donation to the CBC. The CBC can purchase items, especially food, in bulk and at a lower cost. This would allow them to purchase items as needed. Checks should be made payable to the Chilhowee Baptist Center. White envelopes marked CBC will be available on the foyer hallway table; see display.

Second, if you prefer to purchase items, a list will be available on the foyer hallway table; see display. Please place items in the WMU Room 34. Please turn in all donations by Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Lastly, if you would like to help pack the Christmas meal boxes at the CBC, please contact them at (865) 981-2992 Monday through Wednesday, 9 AM to 2 PM, or Thursday, 4 PM to 8 PM.

“Jesus said unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man comes unto the Father, but by me” (John 14:6).

Thank you,  
WMU

### **Just A Reminder**

There will be no services on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### *Security Volunteers*

Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Service &  
Sunday School

Leon Roddy

2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Bryce Byerley

Please contact Greg Lowe or turn in an “I Wish” card if you would be willing to volunteer.

## **Christmas Program Rehearsals**

Rehearsals for the Youth & Children's Christmas Play begin Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall and be sure to arrive on time. Pizza will be provided!

## **Comedy Barn Trip Update**

The Comedy Barn tickets have been ordered! Payment is due by Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, and may be given to the preacher or placed in the church box in the hallway. Tickets can be picked up from the preacher at the Comedy Barn on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, between 6:00 and 7:00 PM. For those needing transportation, the church bus will depart at 5:30 PM.

## **Joshua Mission Meeting**

The Joshua Mission will hold a brief 15 to 20-minute meeting on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, immediately following second service. All current members are encouraged to attend if at all possible. If you are unable to attend, please review your visits with Jeff Moore or Jeannie Nabors prior to the meeting.

## **2027 Budget**

Copies of the 2027 budget will be available for pickup in the back hallway beginning Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. Please take a copy to review, and feel free to reach out to a member of the Stewardship Team with any questions.

## **Men's Breakfast**

Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 AM. Following breakfast, we will have a workday to clear the fence row. Please bring trimmers, weed eaters, or chainsaws if you have them. With enough helping hands, we expect to finish in about two hours.

## **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. The finance report for August and September was presented. The Sunday School average attendance for August was 196; average contacts were 102. The Sunday School average attendance for September was 208; average contacts were 88. Pastor Randolph gave a pastoral report. Ginger Hatley reported for the WMU. We are collecting new blankets for the Baptist Center through Sunday, November 1st. We will be collecting packed shoeboxes through Wednesday, November 18th. The newsletter will soon include information about the annual Christmas Celebration food boxes for the Baptist Center. We have set a \$15,000 goal for the 2026 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Dan Blevens reported for the Trustees. A whiteboard was installed in the old office where the WMU meets. Three commodes have been repaired. The spotlight in the sanctuary was repaired by Kevin Boring. We thank him for his work. Four handicapped handles were installed to assist people entering the chicken coop in the sanctuary. The platform lift has been cleaned. A water bottle filling station was installed to replace the old water fountains outside Room 30. Please do not pour coffee into this drain. The A/C drain at the office was stopped up but has since been cleaned. Harper Lane reported for the Youth. The Youth held a lock-in on September 25th. The Snowbird Youth trip had 29 in attendance, including adults.

Old Business: None

New Business: Trustees presented the updated facility usage policy. Passed. Trustees presented the report of updated funeral policies and Guidelines. Passed. Committee on Committees recommended Sarah Blevens, Sonya Christopher, and Dan Blevens to serve on the Audit Committee. Passed. Motion by Trevis Gardner with a second by Tara Rasher to allow the Trustees to decide on the historic clock that still resided in the sanctuary. Passed.

Stanley Janeway motioned to adjourn. All in favor.

Justin Randolph, Moderator Erin Lane, Church Clerk