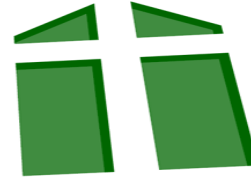


Sermon Notes



Pleasant View
Baptist Church
... it's like coming home.

The Magic of
Christmas
is not in the presents
but in *His* 
presence

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www.pvbchurch.com or pvbpreschool.org

Sunday School - 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship - 8:45 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

December 10, 2017



A Note from Pastor Phillips:

Thank you for coming to worship with us today. If you are a first-time visitor, I would sure like the opportunity to meet you and welcome you personally. Because I believe in a Sovereign God, I don't believe anything happens by chance. I believe you were brought here today for a purpose. I would love to help you discover that purpose, and to see if there is any way we as a church can bless and minister to you and your family. Please stop by the Resource Center after the service so I can shake your hand. I'd sure count it a privilege.

PARADE OF MINISTRIES: We will hold a Parade of Ministries in the Sunday School hallways Sunday, January 21, 2018. All ministries are welcome to set up a table to promote their activities. You must sign up at the Welcome Center no later than Sunday, January 7 to participate. We will provide a table for each ministry that signs up for the event. Table placement will be determined by the amount of coffee and chocolate given to the church secretaries by each ministry. Those who do not provide any coffee or chocolate to the secretaries will find their tables located INSIDE the men's restroom in the Youth Center.

THANK YOU: Thank you, church family, for your prayers and support while we were in Tennessee during the passing of my father. Your prayers were felt and my family truly appreciates your love.

In Christ, Jim Ables and family

MARCH FOR LIFE: We have contracted a Coach bus to take a group to Washington, D.C. on Friday, January 19, 2018. We will ask each rider to pay \$20 to help offset the cost of the bus (that's less than a round-trip train ticket). There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center for those who wish to accompany our pastors on the trip. Additional details will follow later this month.

AGAPE CLOTHING MINISTRY helps provide small household items to those in need. Anita Cox and Robin King coordinate the ministry. If you know someone in need or want to donate something, call Anita at 443-731-1956 or Robin at 410-658-0120. If you have a large donation (more than one bag), please contact one of the ladies directly to avoid filling up the coat closet area. Thank you!

Pleasant View

BAPTIST CHURCH

Thank you for joining us today for worship.
Your presence was a blessing.

If you are interested in learning about church membership, we have a "First Steps" class which meets in room 122 at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday. It's a great place to start!

If there is any way that our church can assist you or your family, please contact the office at 410-378-4476.

We pray that you have been blessed, and have found that coming to Pleasant View Baptist Church is truly ... *like coming home.*



Pleasant View Baptist Church is a smoke-free campus. We encourage you to refrain from smoking while on the premises. **If you must smoke while here, please do so in your car.** If you have any questions, please ask one of our Pastors.

OFFICE HOURS: Our office is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Requests and questions received via e-mail and phone messages after close of business Thursday afternoon will be addressed as soon as possible upon our return to the office. It's our privilege to serve our Church family. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Adult Choir Christmas Concert - 6:00 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Pearl Ministry Supervision - 6:00 p.m.
(Room 112)

Nursing Home Ministry - 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

PV Preschool Christmas Program
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

ONE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY
10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
6:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

Merry Christmas!
Preschool and Church Office Closed

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

No Events or Services at the Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

New Year's Eve
ONE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY
10:30 a.m. (Sanctuary)

NO EVENING WORSHIP SERVICES

MONDAY, JANUARY 1

Happy New Year!
Preschool and Church Office Closed

It's beginning to SOUND a lot like Christmas!

Mark your calendar for these special performances!

Salt Shakers Christmas Program

Sunday, December 10 - 6:00 p.m.

Little Lights Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 13 - 7:00 p.m.

PVBC Adult Choir Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17 - 6:00 p.m.

Pleasant View Preschool Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 20 - 7:00 p.m.

Invite friends, neighbors and family to share the gift of the true meaning of Christmas with them this year!

GARY CHAPMAN MARRIAGE CONFERENCE PRESALE!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 3 as we welcome Gary Chapman to lead a marriage conference. How exciting! There will be a fee for the event (\$44 for a single ticket or \$69 for couples). The doors will open at 8:00 a.m. Tickets will include lunch (Chick-Fil-A, chips and water). The whole day will be wrapped up by 4:00 p.m. **Tickets will be available for purchase January 14, BUT, we are selling advance "tickets" (though we have not received the tickets yet). If you would like to purchase tickets in advance to give as a Christmas gift, we are offering a discount (\$40 per single ticket or \$64 per couple for all tickets purchased before Christmas).** We will track those who participate in this pre-sale, and will provide the physical tickets to you when they arrive. To purchase tickets, please complete the following tear-off form and place it (along with your check made payable to PVBC with "Marriage Seminar" in the memo area) in the offering plate.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ Qty. of single tickets

____ Qty. of couple tickets

Amount Enclosed: _____

Check #: _____



Starting in 1888, the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® was established to empower the international missions efforts for Southern Baptists. After more than a century, the annual offering continues its steady growth. The National Goal this year is \$160 Million. Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and multiply churches among unreached peoples and places for the glory of God.

We will take an offering during our Christmas Eve service (please use the designated envelopes.) Envelopes are available in the pews or at the Welcome Center for anyone who would like to donate early.

MICHAEL BIBLE INSTITUTE

The 2018 Spring semester of Michael Bible Institute begins Monday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. The class will be New Testament Survey. Watch for the registration form in the coming weeks. The registration deadline is Sunday, January 1, 2018. Please call Gayle Leubecker at the church office if you have questions.

Christmas Eve/New Year's Eve Services

On **Christmas Eve morning** we will have ONE corporate worship service at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday School Classes, but we **WILL** have Sunday Morning VBS for children aged 3-5 as usual, and we **WILL** have Junior Church in the Youth Center. We will also have normal nursery care for that morning service.

Our **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** will take place at 7:00 p.m. that evening. There will be **NO CHILDCARE** provided, so that all families can enjoy the service together.

New Year's Eve morning services will be exactly the same as Christmas Eve morning services (see above). We will have **NO evening services on New Year's Eve**.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:45 & 10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship Services
9:00 & 10:30 a.m. - Small Group Bible Studies
6:00 p.m. - Salt Shakers Christmas Program

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

6:00 p.m. - GriefShare (Jr. Church Area)
6:30 p.m. - Little Lights Practice (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

7:00 a.m. - Prayer (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m. - Ladies' Prayer Group
6:30 p.m. - Little Lights Practice (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. - Celebrate Recovery (Jr. Church Area)
7:00 p.m. - Admin. Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:45 p.m. - Little Lights (Sanctuary)
5:45 p.m. - Salt Shakers (Room 117)
6:45 p.m. - Youth Service (Jr. Church Area)
7:00 p.m. - Little Lights Christmas Program (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

6:30 p.m. - Praise & Worship Practice

NO BEVERAGES IN SANCTUARY

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM BRINGING **ANY BEVERAGE OTHER THAN WATER** INTO THE SANCTUARY. **Even when cups have lids and people are careful, spills occur and stains are left.** The Sanctuary is a special place of worship, and we need to take special care of it. Thank you for your cooperation.



Free guest WIFI is available to use with Bible apps during the service. Choose "Sanctuary" and use the password 12345678.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Last Week's Undesignated Offering \$20,428.00
Last Month's Average Weekly Undesignated Offering \$18,246.00

JUNIOR CHURCH HELPER SCHEDULE

<u>This week, December 10</u>	<u>Next week, December 17</u>
Nicole Davis	Pastor Paul Mills
April Bryant	Mindy Mills
Patti Jo Cook	

SPECIAL MUSIC SCHEDULE

<u>This week, December 10</u>	<u>Next week, December 17</u>
8:45 a.m. – Tricia Campbell	Jim Backert
6:00 Off. – Salt Shakers Program	Adult Choir Program
6:00 Msg. –	

RESOURCE CENTER SCHEDULE

<u>This week, December 10</u>	<u>Next week, December 17</u>
8:45 a.m. – Malinda Lally	Barbara Kelly
10:30 a.m. – Malinda Lally	Barbara Kelly

MORNING NURSERY SCHEDULE

	<u>Service 1</u>	<u>Service 2</u>
<u>December 10</u>	Mindy Reed Theresa Wright	Lisa Miller Grace Miller Lauren Justice
<u>December 17</u>	Mindy Reed Marge Sexton	Larissa Moody Chelsea Sadler Brad Sadler

EVENING NURSERY SCHEDULE

	<u>Infants - 24 Mos.</u>	<u>3-5 Yr. Olds</u>
<u>December 10</u>	Beverly England Hayley England	Hannah Hughes Rachel Hughes
<u>December 17</u>	Angel Johnson Paula Masker	Larissa Moody Sierra Bolado

PVBC 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat.-Sun., Dec. 9-10	Salt Shakers Christmas Program
Wednesday, December 13	Little Lights Christmas Concert
Wednesday, December 20	Pleasant View Preschool Program
Sunday, December 24	Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
Monday, December 25	Merry Christmas!

In addition these events, we have weekly & monthly ministries.
 Check the weekly bulletins to stay informed and involved.
 Call the church office at 410-378-4476 for more information.

Dear Church Family: Our hearts are full of gratitude to the Lord beyond words for His providential protection and love for our church family. Although we never anticipated the outcome of Lauree's accident, it could have been much worse, and we are now moving in a positive direction. We have no way to thank you enough for the prayers, encouraging cards, calls, messages, meals, and genuine concern. There is no doubt that we have the most loving and giving church family anyone could have. Thank you again for everything. We are so blessed!

Tom & Lauree Wilson

Resource Center Christmas Specials

Book	Author	Normal Price	Now
Every Day in His Presence—devotional	Charles Stanley	16.00	13.00
Jesus Calling—Morning and Evening	Sarah Young	12.00	10.00
Jesus Today	Sarah Young	10.00	8.00
Jesus Calling—Lg. Print, Imitation Leather	Sarah Young	16.00	13.00
The Cross and the Switch-blade (DVD)	David Wilkerson	13.00	10.00
Monumental (DVD)	Kirk Cameron	10.00	7.00
Unlocking the Mystery of Life (DVD)	Produced by Illustra Media	13.00	10.00
My Hope America with Billy Graham (DVD)	Billy Graham	8.00	5.00



Imagine . . .

Imagine watching the calendar as December 25th approaches, and knowing you have to choose between buying your children Christmas presents, providing for their food and shelter, or paying for mounting medical bills. Sitting in our pews this morning are brothers and sisters who are facing that very dilemma. **Imagine** looking into the faces of your children and anticipating their disappointment on Christmas morning.

Imagine someone anonymously reaching out in the name of Jesus to provide your children with gifts on Christmas morning. **Imagine** receiving these gifts as a representation of the greatest Gift ever given to man - a Savior!

Imagine the fulfillment of being the person God uses to bless these loved ones in our church family.

You don't have to **imagine** the blessing of helping someone. Choose an angel or two from our Angel Tree in the lobby.

Sign out the angel and attach it to the wrapped Christmas gift(s) you purchase, and then bring the gift(s) back to the church by **Sunday, Dec. 17.**

If you have questions, please call the church office. You will be blessing someone more than you can . . .

imagine.



CHRISTMAS BASKET GROCERY LIST



4 Cans of Corn

4 Cans of Green Beans

1 Can Cream of Mushroom Soup

1 Can French's Fried Onions

2 Boxes Velveeta Mac and Cheese

1 Box of Bisquick

1 Box of Instant Mashed Potatoes

1 Quart jar of Apple Sauce

2 bags of Cookie Mix

All items should be turned in to the coat closet by Sunday, December 17

May the Lord bless you richly
for being a blessing to our community
this Christmas Season.



We are also gratefully accepting donations of hams. Please call the office if you are willing to donate one. Thank you!