

December 7, 2017

# PLEASANT RIDGE Baptist Church

LOVING GOD  
SHARING LIFE  
SERVING OTHERS

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## Ministerial Staff

Senior Pastor: Josh Cook

Music Minister: Jonathan Riddle

Children's Minister: Nancy Glover

Education Minister: Ray Glover

## Sunday Schedule:

December 10

### Sunday

Prayer Walk	8:45 pm
Small Groups	9:00 am
Morning Worship	10:30 am
Budget/Finance	4:00 pm
Golden Heirs Musical	6:00 pm

### Attendance

Small Groups:	220
Morning Worship:	246
Evening Worship:	291
Wednesday Night:	117

### Tithes/Offerings December 3:

\$25,007

**2017 Total: \$677,324**

**Lottie Moon: \$1,020**

**RFT YTD: \$71,698**

**RFT Current: \$6,544**

**Lifts/Loan Repay: \$50,000**

**Repay Contingency: \$54,000**

**Total Needed: \$104,000**



### Childcare (12/10)

Jeremy Brown  
Rebekah Brown  
Myra Dees  
Frances Eddings  
Dona Love

### Praise Pals (12/10)

Beverly Deadwyler

### Kids in Him (December 10)

Betsy Simpson  
Carol Cash

### Jesus and Me (December 10)

Rebecca Dillon  
Blair Hagood

### Security Patrol (12/10)

Joel Stoves  
Ken Hill

Conrad Wellbaum

### Deacon Hospital Visits

Charles Wood (Friday 12/8)  
Robert McLellan (Saturday 12/9)  
John Ellis (Sunday 12/10)

## A Note from the Pastor...

Christmas at a church can be a hectic time. We have tried this Holiday season to be very intentional in how we used our time together. We have already seen ways that we can improve next year's activities to make the best use of our time, efforts and energy. We are working to make sure that every meeting we have is as effective and excellent as it possibly can be. An example of this is the Christmas program we had this past Sunday night. Rather than have separate musicals for the adult and children's choirs, we had one combined musical that was amazing.

So, why are we doing this? The answer to this question can be found in our purpose and mission. Our purpose is to glorify God and our mission is to make disciples. We glorify God by making disciples; we also glorify Him by doing things well. By focusing on doing fewer things, we make it easier to do things well. We also understand that we cannot make disciples if we never see people who do not know Christ or are far away from Him. By spending less time at church for parties and practices, we are giving ourselves more time to connect with pre-disciples. With our extra time, we can connect with pre-disciples, build relationships with them, and invite them to Christmas events that we know will be done well. This is truly a win-win.

One event that we want to invite our families and friends to is our Christmas Eve morning worship service. This service will have great Christmas music, our regular prayer time, and a very special Christmas communion service. This will not be a regular communion service. We will not have a sermon. Instead, we will let the Christmas story and the crucifixion narrative present the gospel and guide us through the Lord's Supper. This should be a meaningful service for believers and a powerful gospel presentation for non-believers.

I hope you plan on being here for that service. You don't have to wait to invite people or attend. I want to see you this Sunday too. I hope you have a great week.

*Dr. Josh Cook*

## Church Wide Christmas Party Wednesday, December 13

6:00 pm

Talent  
Show

Fellowship Hall

Potluck Dinner

Ugly  
Sweater  
Contest

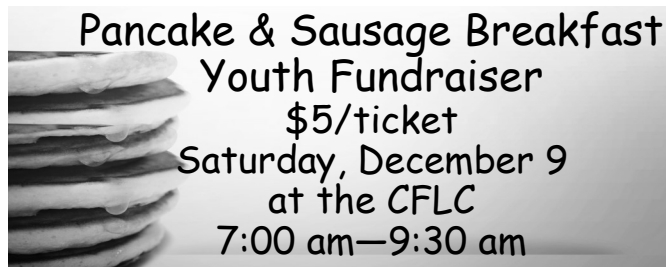
### Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Youth Fundraiser

\$5/ticket

Saturday, December 9

at the CFLC

7:00 am—9:30 am



## Special Recognitions

**Lottie Moon:** In honor of Lynn Lindberg by the Leaves of Gold SS Class. In memory of Bill Glasgow by Sherry Glasgow. In memory of Maxine Fuller and Ruth Davidson by Dave & Mary Stringfellow.

**Cemetery:** In memory of Wanda Dabbs by Carl & Mary Waldrop.

**Jesus Pantry:** In memory of Maurice & Betty Allen by Carl & Mary Waldrop; by Dave & Mary Stringfellow; by Ken & Judy Hill; by John & Judy Donaldson; by Bill & MaryAnn Yeagan.

**Budget:** In honor of Patt & Billy Robertson by M/M W.T. Medders.

## Lottie Moon Ingathering Sunday, December 10

### Golden Heirs & Puppet Musical

### "The Christmas Story" Sunday, December 10

6:00 pm

Ladies' Tablescapes

"We Love Because He first Loved Us"

Saturday, January 20 \$20/ticket

Guest Singer/Speaker:

Heather Messick

If you would like to decorate a table, please see Christina Dargan or call the church office, 491-3771

### Holiday Schedule

**No Wednesday Activities on  
December 20, 27, & January 3**

**No Evening Worship Service  
on December 24 & 31**

**No Sunday School on  
December 24**

**Church Facilities will be  
closed December 22, 25, & 26**