



April 5, 2018

# PLEASANT RIDGE Baptist Church

## Ministerial Staff

Senior Pastor: Josh Cook  
Music Minister: Jonathan Riddle  
Children's Minister: Nancy Glover  
Education Minister: Ray Glover  
Youth Minister: Jake Kersh

Attendance	
Small Groups:	224
Morning Worship:	538
Evening Worship:	N/A
Wednesday Night:	75

LOVING GOD  
SHARING LIFE  
SERVING OTHERS

### A Note from the Pastor...

It is easy to be excited (and exhausted) on the Monday after Easter. We had a marvelous time of worship Easter Sunday. It was absolutely a good day all around. Easter Sunday gives us some insight into what the church could look like every Sunday. Yes, there were some people here on Easter who do not live in the area. Many of the people here came back home to PRBC to be with family or friends, but many others were here as our guests.

So what is the difference between Easter and this coming Sunday? I wonder if the difference could be found in our expectations. We anticipate good crowds on Easter, so we prepare for them. We also expect that people are open to attend church on Easter, so we invite more people. We create a special experience that we are not afraid to offer to our friends and families and we dedicate all our energy to ensuring that our Sunday morning worship service will be something that people will enjoy and remember. However, there have been other Sundays when the worship and Word were of the same or better quality as Easter's. Honestly, every Sunday that someone misses one of our services, they are missing something God-glorifying and good (I may be biased, but this is true).

What if we raised our expectations? What if we actually expected that people around us are open to being a part of our worship services? What if we expected for members of our church to actually be disciples who are here for Sunday School (or a small group), a weekly worship service, and be serving somewhere? We have a God-given responsibility to hold one another to this standard. We have a God-given responsibility to reach our community and our world with the gospel. Most of all, we have a powerful God who has promised a harvest if we would just do the work.

Let's commit to love each other too much to let anyone miss out on anything. Would you make this commitment with me? I will love the people in my Sunday School class too much to let them miss out on worship. I will love the people in worship too much to let them miss out on the blessings of Sunday School or serving. I will love the people of my community too much to let them peaceably miss out on all of the good things that God is doing at PRBC.

Easter is gone, but Sunday is still coming and Christ is still risen indeed! I am expecting great things to happen here this week, are you?

*Dr. Josh Cook*



**VBS Teacher Training**  
Monday, April 9  
6:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall

### Scholarships Available

Clarissa Smith Wintter, High School  
Judson Jones, Ministry  
Marietta Phillips, Nursing  
Susie Dell Wildes, Missions

Applications MUST be turned in by April 29

**WMU General Meeting**  
Monday, April 9 @ 10 AM

### Daily Bible Reading

- April 2: Judges 8-9
- April 3: Judges 10-12
- April 4: Judges 13-15
- April 5: Judges 16-18
- April 6: Judges 19-21
- April 7: Ruth
- April 8: 1 Samuel 1-3
- April 9: 1 Samuel 4-8
- April 10: 1 Samuel 9-12
- April 11: 1 Samuel 13-14
- April 12: 1 Samuel 15-17
- April 13: 1 Samuel 18-20; Psalms 11, 59
- April 14: 1 Samuel 21-24
- April 15: Psalms 7, 27, 31, 34, 52
- April 16: Psalms 56, 120, 140-142

### Memory Verse

*"Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies," (John 11:25, NASB95)*

### Tithes/Offerings April 1:

\$18,777

2018 Total: \$188,367

Annie Armstrong: \$5,769

### Reach for Tomorrow

Bank Loan: \$50,000

Owe: \$28,193

Owe Contingency: \$54,000

Total Owed: \$82,193

### Sunday Schedule: April 8

Sunday	
Prayer Walk	8:45 pm
Small Groups	9:00 am
Morning Worship	10:30 am
Budget/Finance	4:00 pm
Youth Puppets	5:00 pm
Evening Worship	6:00 pm
PS Puppets/Bible Drill/ Kid's Choir	6:00 pm

### Special Recognitions

**Annie Armstrong:** In memory of Conrad Wellbaum by Myra Dees.

**Budget:** In memory of Charles Dabbs by Connie Dabbs family. In memory of Conrad Wellbaum by Bob & Melba Fleming.

**RFT:** In memory of Conrad Wellbaum by M/M Dave Stringfellow; by Bud & Dannie Junkins; by Ken & Judy Hill; by the Rolling Wheels Camping Club.

**Music:** In memory of Conrad Wellbaum by Carolyn Frame; by Charles & Sue Turner; by Farrell & Melanie Crowe and Valerie Giada.



Welcome New Member  
Candidate  
*Amber Deadwyler*

### Heartfelt THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

<b>Childcare (4/8)</b>	<b>Praise Pals (4/8)</b>
Bridget Cook	Beverly Deadwyler
Bebe George	<b>Kids in Him (April)</b>
Sharon Heise	Carin Hill
Laurie Paul	Lori McGriff
Jennifer Vest	<b>Jesus and Me (April)</b>
	Faith Abney
	Lora Hawkins

**Deacon Hospital Visit**  
Benny Edwards  
(Fri. 4/13 or Sat. 4/14)

**Security Patrol (4/8)**  
Benny Edwards  
Jena Large  
Steve Ferguson