



50th Anniversary

Pleasant Grove
BAPTIST CHURCH

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August 21, 2011

Celebration Schedule



Pleasant Grove Baptist Church invites everyone to come help celebrate 50 years of serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. September 18—25, 2011

*Our theme is :
Learning from the Past;
Living in the Present;
Looking to the Future*

September 18

“Learning from the Past”

Featuring

Rev. Jake Thornhill

Dr. Tony Beam

Service Time :10:00 a.m.

Dinner on the Grounds:12:00

September 19—22

“Living in the Present”

Guest Speakers

9/19: Rev Ken Owens

9/20: Rev Mike Avants

9/21: Rev Scott Brewington

9/22 Rev. Bill Gressette

Service time 7:00 p.m. each

September 25

“Looking to the Future”

Featuring

Rev. Clayton King

Sunday School 9:15

Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Invitations

Postcards are now available at the Welcome Center, glass breezeway, and wherever bulletins are available. Invite someone to share in our celebration. Remember the couple from your Sunday school class or a loved one that used to be a part of our congregation. Fill out a post card, personalize it any way you like and invite them worship with us.

All Hands on Deck!!!

The anniversary celebration is a big event in the life of our Church and we want to give everyone the opportunity to get involved.

God rewards us for our hard work.

September 17 is set-up day for the big event and we need your help.

We will be starting at 9:00 a.m. and everyone is invited to help with the final preparations for our visitors.

We will be doing everything from setting up tables and chairs to decoration to cleaning.

A “normal” Thanksgiving dinner at PGBC is about 400—500 people. For this event we are planning for about twice that number (800—900).

*“...On this Rock I will
build My church...”
Matthew 16:18*

Throws Still Available

The first order has been placed but due to the overwhelming enthusiasm you can still order on of the beautiful throws. Sign up at the Welcome Center, the price is still just \$45. Payment due at the time of ordering.

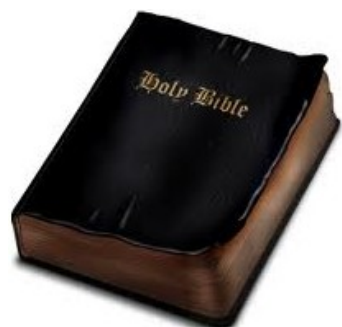


T-Shirts

Maybe the throws are not your style. We will also be providing T-Shirts to commemorate this great time in our Church. The shirts will be high quality cotton bearing a tastefully done 50th Anniversary Logo on the front, no printing on the back.

This is something that we feel that men, women and children can proudly wear as a gentle reminder of the love for our Church. More importantly the shirts can serve as a reminder to each of us about how our Church can and will continue to worship and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

7 Colors available
White, Khaki, Grey, Green,
Blue, Light Pink and Dark
Pink.
\$10—Children’s sizes
\$12—Adult Sizes
\$14—2XL or larger



Church Re-Dedication

We will be reading through the Bible the weeks leading into our 50th. Pastor Phil will begin by reading the first chapters of Genesis on Sunday 9/4. Tony, Jake and Pastor Phil will read the last three chapters of Revelation on Sunday, 9/18. If you cannot schedule a time, you may stop by anytime the church is open and read. Thank you and May God Bless these efforts.

[See the church bulletin for details about how to sign up.](#)

Sunday School Classes

Re-dedicate your class room through prayer and testimonies on Sunday September 25. We would like to ask all Sunday school classes to stop and pray promptly at 10:00 a.m. on September 25th. Imagine the power of our Sunday schools praying in unison... Pray specifically for re-dedicating our Church as a place of worship and praise to our Lord.

*“For where two or three
gather in my name, there
am I with them.”
Matthew 18:20*

Church Beautification

It is not too late to organize a group and execute a project to help beautify our church before our guests arrive. Bushes need trimmed, sidewalks need swept, rooms need cleaned...

Groups are already volunteering for the following projects

- Repair the sign in front of the church
- Paint the hallway leading to the youth room

*If it’s broken fix it.
If it’s dirty clean it.
If it’s ugly... be creative.*



Church History—The Challenge

The 50th Anniversary committee is still challenging each family to provide ***1 piece of historical information for every 10 years you have been affiliated with Pleasant Grove.***

What kind of historical information?

Anything including pictures, videos, letters, notes from memorable church services, or anything else that can help paint a picture of the

history of our great church. Be creative. We would love to have a lot of information from each of the 5 decades in our history. We know that Pleasant Grove has been an important part of your life, so share some of that history with the rest of us.

The compiled history will be on display during the anniversary celebration week.

Please provide the history artifacts to the Church offices or one of the members of the committee (see back cover).



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Time Capsule

In order to help preserve some of the history of Pleasant Grove, we will be burying a time capsule following the service on September 25.

This is another great opportunity for everyone to get involved by providing something for the time capsule.

Imagine how awesome it will be when we open the

capsule in 25 or even 50 years from now.

The Church will be providing a Bible, Church directory, and a copy of the history.

You can provide the rest. If you don't know what to do, write a letter about life at Pleasant Grove today or what your prayers are for the future of our Church. Write poetry, create art-

work or be creative and provide anything you can think of to help the people of the future focus on their relationship with God. We would like for each Sunday school class to participate as a class and/or individually.

Note: Space will be limited so please keep it small in size.

We will not be putting electronic media in the time capsule. It might not survive the environment and it is unlikely that the media will still be supported when the capsule is opened.

Get Involved—Volunteers Needed

We don't want anyone to miss out on the celebration. We are looking for ideas or leads for people to help us “staff” the celebration so that our members can enjoy the celebration along with our guests. blessing

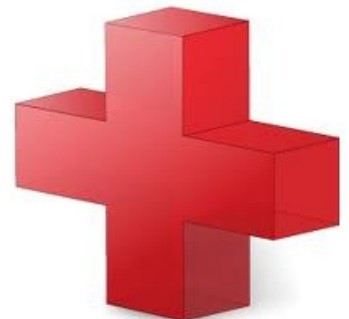
September 18 is the most critical need, but any help during the week would be a

Helpers are needed for

- Child care
- Food setup
- Food servers

Do you have a parent, sibling, or friend in the area that might be willing to come help us for a couple of hours, especially on September 18?

If so, ask them if they will help and get their name to someone on the committee.



Visit us on the web at <http://www.pleasant-grove.org>.

We will be providing more information through future newsletters which will also be made available on our Web site.

The Mission of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church is to Reach, Teach, Touch, and Disciple, every person possible, by every means possible, until the coming again of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Committee Members

It is an honor for us to serve on the 50th Anniversary committee. If you have any comments, ideas or would like to help, please contact any of the following people that are currently serving on the committee.

- Ann Curry
- Brenda Chapman
- Phil Hunt
- Dot Thompson
- Drew Martin
- Paula Trippi
- Susan Prescott

Videos

We are still accepting videos from out-of-town invitees or anyone that wants to make a short video to share with PGBC. The video can include any kind of message that you like but please at least include who you are, when and how you were affiliated with Pleasant Grove and where you are now.

You can provide the videos in electronic format to any of the committee members or upload through our Web site.

Even if you are planning on coming to celebrate with us in person, we would still love to have a video clip to be a part of worship celebration.

Dinner on the Grounds

Dinner on the Grounds will be a "pot luck" dinner starting immediately following the service on 9/18.

We are asking members to provide the food. If you are willing and able please provide a dish that will feed your family and then some. If you want to bring more, please don't hesitate.

If you cannot bring a dish, we still want you to come, eat and fellowship with us.

Our church is a group of warm loving people following in the ways of Jesus so we would much rather be with you regardless of whether or not you provided any food.

The church will be providing

- Tea, Coffee and Water
- Paper products (plates, napkins, eating utensils)
- Salt/pepper and butter
- Serving Utensils

The church will NOT be providing the meat.



- *We cannot keep all of the food warm*
- *If possible please provide the food in disposable containers*
- *If you want your container back, make sure your name is on it.*