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Servants, in His Service

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Sr. Pastor

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Kay Edwards	Pianist
Angela Humes	Secretary

Worship and Study Times

Sunday

Sunday School	9:45am
Morning Worship	10:55am

Wednesday

Church Supper	6:15pm
Prayer Meeting	7:00pm
Children & Youth	7:00pm
Adult Choir	7:00pm

Pastor's Paragraphs . . .

She wasn't a preacher. Yet some of you may know her name and remember her. Erma Bombeck. She was an author, speaker and humorist. Noted for her political and cultural observations that mixed humor with everyday life, one of her earlier articles included the following New Year's resolutions:

1. I'm going to clean this place when the kids grow up.
2. I will go to no doctor whose office plants have died.
3. I'm going to follow my husband's advise to put a little excitement into our life and live within our budget.
4. I'll apply for a hardship scholarship to Weight Watchers.
5. I will never loan my car to anyone I have birthed.
6. And, like last year, I will remember that my children need love the most when they deserve it the least.

You can certainly see and appreciate her sense of humor in those words, can't you? Erma, who had been born in 1927, had been diagnosed with an incurable kidney disease when she was only 20 years old. Even though she later fought breast cancer and other health issues, it was the kidney disease that she lived with every day of every week.

That may be why she chose to see the humor in life. That may be why she chose to have a positive attitude and look for the good in people and events around her. Certainly it had a profound impact on her and, I have to confess, I used to love reading her articles and she had a profound impact on my life.

In the 1980's, her disease progressed to be almost unbearable and she became a candidate for a kidney transplant. In response to other people's concern, she revised an earlier article and wrote the following article to encourage people. Take a few moment to read and reflect on each of her observations.

Things I Would do differently If I Had My Life to Live Over:

1. *I would have invited friends over to dinner even if the carpet was stained and the sofa faded.*
2. *I would have eaten the popcorn in the "GOOD" living room and worried much less about the dirt when someone wanted to light a fire in the fireplace.*
3. *I would have taken the time to listen to my grandfather ramble about his youth.*
4. *I would never have insisted the car windows be rolled up on a summer day because my hair had just been teased and sprayed.*
5. *I would have sat on the lawn with my children and not worried about grass stains.*
6. *I would never have bought anything just because it was practical, wouldn't show soil or was guaranteed to last a lifetime.*
7. *When my kids kissed me impetuously, I would never have said, "Later. Now go get washed up for dinner."*
8. *There would have been more "I love you's" and more "I'm sorry's" but mostly, given another shot at life, I would seize every minute.....look at it and really see it ... live it! And never give it back.*
9. *I would have gone to bed when I was sick instead of pretending the earth would go into a holding pattern if I wasn't there for the day.*
10. *I would have cried and laughed less while watching television . . . and more while watching life.*

As we begin 2017 together, let me make a gentle suggestion. Take a few minutes to reflect on what you would do differently if you had your life to live over and then live in 2017 with those same priorities. We cannot change the past but we CAN choose to live now in such a way that we won't wish we had lived differently!!



News and Announcements



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the prayers, beautiful cards, love and words of encouragement before and during Larry's move to Eastern Kentucky Veterans Center.

How very blessed we are to have such a loving and caring church family.

Please continue to keep us in your prayers that the Radcliff Veterans Center will open soon and we can move him closer to home.

Thanks again. Love, Larry & Bonnie Plaskett

Dear Pleasant Grove Church Family,

Thank you for your many prayers and the prayer cards from your Wednesday night gatherings over the course of the past year.

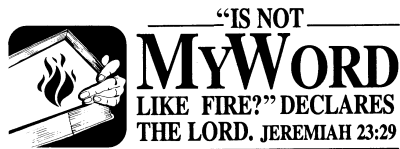
Eddie's Chemo treatments continue to take a large toll on him and leave him very tired, even to the point of exhaustion, without him leaving the house or doing anything physical at all. Robert continues to deal with infections and painful discomfort as he awaits kidney surgery. But our Hearts are filled with peace and joy to which your love and prayers have contributed.

Love, Eddie & Jackie Humes, Robert and Marla Humes

January 2017 Calendar of Events & Birthdays

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 No Sunday School 10:55 Worship	2 5:30 Recreation Meal @ Popeye's 7 Recreation	3 <i>Larry Petty</i>	4 8 Deacons' Mtg. <i>Ron Drury</i>	5	6 <i>Pat Karlen</i>	7 10 Bowling
8 2:30 Masonic Home	9 5:30 Recreation Meal @ Wendy's 7 Recreation	10	11 7 Business Mtg. <i>Deb Townsend</i>	12 <i>Peggy Rumsey</i>	13	14 Ski Trip
15	16 5:30 Recreation Meal @ Beef O'Brady's 7 Recreation	17	18	19	20 11:30 Silver Servants <i>Stephanie Berger</i>	21
22	23 5:30 Recreation Meal @ Chick-fil-A 7 Recreation <i>Melissa Branham</i>	24	25 <i>Heather Griffin</i>	26 <i>Gladys Edmonds</i>	27	28
29 10:55 Lord's Supper	30 5:30 Recreation Meal @ Arby's 7 Recreation	31 <i>Will Branham</i> <i>Breanna Griffin</i>			Regular Schedule Sundays 945 Sunday School 1055 Worship	Wednesdays 615 Dinner 700 Prayer Mtg. Children & Youth Adult Choir



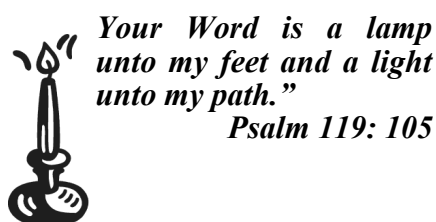
Daily Bible Reading Plan. . .

January

- 01. Genesis 1-3
- 02. Genesis 4-6
- 03. Genesis 7-9
- 04. Genesis 10-12
- 05. Genesis 13-16
- 06. Genesis 17-19
- 07. Genesis 20-22
- 08. Genesis 23, 24
- 09. Genesis 25, 26
- 10. Genesis 27, 28
- 11. Genesis 29, 30
- 12. Genesis 31, 32
- 13. Genesis 33-35
- 14. Genesis 36, 37
- 15. Genesis 38-40
- 16. Genesis 41, 42
- 17. Genesis 43, 44
- 18. Genesis 45-47
- 19. Genesis 48-50
- 20. Exodus 1-3
- 21. Exodus 4-6
- 22. Exodus 7-9
- 23. Exodus 10-12
- 24. Exodus 13-15
- 25. Exodus 16-18
- 26. Exodus 19-21
- 27. Exodus 22-24
- 28. Exodus 25-27
- 29. Exodus 28, 29
- 30. Exodus 30-32
- 31. Exodus 33-35

February

- 01. Exodus 36-38
- 02. Exodus 39, 40
- 03. Leviticus 1-4
- 04. Leviticus 5-7
- 05. Leviticus 8-10
- 06. Leviticus 11, 12
- 07. Leviticus 13



Stewardship Report

We want to express sincere appreciation for your faithfulness through Tithes and Offerings.

Here is our report through December 18. Please continue to be faithful so that we may bring glory to God and may He bless you richly as a result!!

2016 BUDGET SUMMARY
\$ 223,434.00 \$ 4,222.00 per week

Through week 51

General Fund Needs	\$ 215,322.00
General Fund Receipts	\$ 199,327.79
Designated Receipts	\$ 25,538.41
Total General & Designated	\$ 224,866.20
Total Receipts to Date	\$ 234,977.08
CTL Fund	\$ 19,842.95

Sunday School...a Place for YOU!

I don't know about you but I don't make New Year's resolutions. I figure they are just one more thing to feel guilty about. Really, how many times can a person lose the same pounds they lost last year?! How many times can we resolve not to get upset with others on the road? How about, I'm going to read the Bible through this year and you don't make it even one week without missing a day. Honestly, the list of broken resolutions is endless; at least it is with me!

This year I believe that I will just take each day, one at a time, and do the best I can. And, not feel like a failure when I eat a cookie (or 2 or 3) or when I want to blow my horn at that other car who has just cut me off or when I miss reading my Bible for one day. Sometimes things just don't go as planned.

God's Mercies are new every morning. In other words we get a fresh start! Let's live in God's mercy in 2017 and share the joy it brings to us with others. See ya Sunday!

With Joy! Angela Humes



February 2, 2017
BLOOD DRIVE

Our quarterly blood drive will be on Thursday, February 2, 2017. The blood supply is always critical and it gets worse during the holidays. The need for blood is growing every day. Approximately every 2 seconds, some one in the United States needs blood. We are trying to do our part in building up the blood supply by having these blood drives.

Our dream is to have every eligible donor come to our blood drive and give blood. Blood donors are real heroes. We will have door prizes again and homemade goodies, thanks to June.

Thanks to all who have given blood so faithfully in the past. Thanks to so many others who have supported our blood drives in so many other ways.

We will have Melissa Branham helping us at this blood drive, and hopefully, Buck Gadd.

Please keep our blood drives in your daily prayers.

Yours, in Christ's Service, Russell G. Gadd