

# News and Views

from Pleasant Ridge

*From the  
Pastor*

Hello!

It has been a long time since we have sent out a Newsletter and it is a blessing to be able to do so again. The Church Council recently made the decision to start the Newsletter back up on a quarterly bases. Many of you are aware that we recently updated our membership roll in an attempt to have a more accurate account of who is actually a functioning part of the Body of Christ here at Pleasant Ridge. Church membership is meaningless and pointless if people who have the physical ability to participate don't. To be a "member" of almost any civil group or organization in this world requires something of the member. The Church is no different. Of all things membership in a Church should mean even more than that of Country Club, or the local PTA. The Bible teaches us that the Church is not a building, but a people who strives to serve and fellowship with one another in order to better reach the world for Jesus Christ. These people form up a Body that functions in a similar way our own human bodies do in that each part is valuable and works with and is dependent upon the other. Every true follower of Christ has a gift and is supposed to use the gifts and blessings the Holy Spirit gives us for His Kingdom work. Paul wrote in [Ephesians 4:16](#),

*"He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."* The letter that was sent out made it clear that anyone who wished to remain a part of Pleasant Ridge could. All they needed to do was let us know. We also wanted to let every member know what is expected of members. It is my hope and prayer that all those who have made the decision to remain a part of Pleasant Ridge will now be determined to do their part as a member of this Body. The Bible is clear that a Church needs all its individual parts active to grow effectively. I haven't met anyone in my four years as pastor here who hopes the church shrinks up and eventually closes, but for a church to grow effectively it requires love and service from its members. If you are receiving this Newsletter then you at some point in time made it known to this Body of Believers and before God that this Body is where you want to grow in righteousness and serve. I hope and pray that you will be determined to fulfill that commitment you made to this Body of believers and before God. Please do not hesitate to come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. I am

here for you. All you have to do is ask. Jesus taught that we have not, because we ask not. Come join and be an active part of the work Jesus is doing here at Pleasant Ridge. We need every member if we are going to grow effectively. Remember that when it comes to your own personal walk with Jesus that you need the Body as well. Jesus said in [John 17:23](#), "I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me." You cannot be "perfected" by choosing to remain alone and apart. It is through our love for one another and unity that the world will know that we follow Christ. There are multiple "one another" commands in just the New Testament alone. The journey of faith in Christ Jesus was never meant to be a solo journey. We need each other for growth, strength, and encouragement. A Sinner Saved by Grace,  
Bro. Mahlon

Pleasant  
Ridge Baptist  
Evangelize, Equip & Exalt

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PRBC  
&  
MISSIONS

Southern Baptist endeavors:

Cooperative Program, WCBA,  
State, North American,  
International

PRBC projects:

- WZEP Radio Ministry,
- Pregnancy Support Center,
- Local Church/Community Projects,
- Dakota Baptist Church,
- Florida Baptist Children's Homes,
- WCBA Disaster Relief

## A SIMPLE PLAN

**All people sin.** Romans  
3:23

**Sin has a price.** Romans  
6:23

**God loves all people  
and sent His Son to  
pay the price of sin  
for all people.** John  
3:16; Romans 5:8

**Repent of sins and  
turn to God.** Acts 3:19

**Confess and believe.**  
Romans 9:9-10

**Call on the Lord and  
be saved.** Romans 10:13

NEW PRBC MEMBERS: 2018-2019

By Baptism

- Penelope Jones
- Kayla Atchley
- Ryan Jones
- Gage Rhodes
- Stacey Fielder
- Aiden TheBerge
- Bailey The Berge
- Lila Sharpston
- Alissa Sharpston
- Jessica Moore
- Jordan Schofield

By Letters & Statements

- Tina Howell
- David Keeter
- Alicia Keeter
- Nelda Lord
- Genevieve Reddick
- Melissa Rowe
- Ronald Wallace
- Jamie Sharpston
- Tonya Sharpston
- Kimberly Jones
- Janice Eckert
- Harley Rowe
- Donnie Fielder
- Greg Floyd
- AnneMarie TheBerge
- Michael TheBerge
- David Carroll
- Nysa Carroll
- Kathleen Ornelas
- Sam & Patricia Russ
- James Villareal
- Don & Leah Buchanan
- Bob & Jessica Bradley
- Connie Dunn
- Jordan Schofield
- Edward Carter
- Bill McGarigle
- Sharon Smith

This & That and Things to Do.....



FOR  
GOD  
SO  
LOVED THE WORLD  
HE  
GAVE  
HIS  
ONLY  
SON



*If you have anything you would like us to put in the Newsletter, please call the office.*

*If you are in the online church directory and would like to include a picture, please email it to the office or you can bring one in and we will scan it. (office@thePRBC.org)*

***We want to extend a warm welcome to Brother Bob Bradley and his beautiful family. Brother Bob is PRBC's new Associate Pastor of Worship. He comes to us from Tennessee. He is married and has 3 children (2 daughters and 1 son). Brother Bob, we here at PRBC welcome you to our church family and the beautiful community of DeFuniak Springs. We are excited to see how God will move through you in leading worship and reaching the lost with the gospel through the power of music.***

- 2 - Ft Panhandle Women's Retreat
- 3 - Ryan Whitman preaching PM Svc
- 10 - Council Meeting @ 3pm  
Spring Forward (Daylight Savings ends)
- 13 - Movie Night @ 6pm
- 15 - WHS - NO SCHOOL
- 17 - St. Patrick's Day
- 20 - Special Business Meeting @ 6pm
- 23 - L.E.A.D. Hockey (Youth)

If you have anything to add to the calendar, call the office @ 892-3500

HAVE YOU  
TALKED  
TO GOD  
TODAY?

Brother Bob Bradley  
His Wife, Jessica  
And their 3 children:  
Abigail Grace  
Eleanor Faith  
& William Russell



### Opportunities for Service & Fellowship

**Nursery Workers** - Can you play with a toddler or baby? See Jennifer Chisholm.

**Children's Church** - Teachers and helpers needed. See Jennifer Chisholm

**Sunday School** - Teachers, Subs and helpers needed. See Judy McMillian

**Wednesday** - Helpers for children are needed. See Alicia Keeter



### Regular Schedule of Services:

#### SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES:


- 8:45 - Coffee, Tea & Fellowship
- 9:15 - Sunday School & Bible Study
- 10:30 - Morning Worship Service
- 4:30 - Worship Choir practice
- 6:00 - Evening Worship

#### WEDNESDAY'S SERVICE TIMES

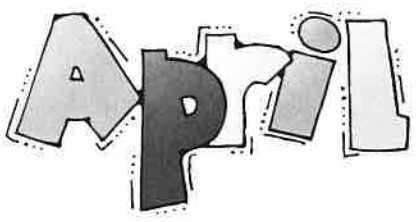
- 6:00 - Bible Study & Prayer Time,

**"..we are to all be growing and helping others grow closer to Him"**

**truth in + love.**



**1. Regular meeting @ 10:30 a.m., the 2nd Tuesday of every month.**



- 13 - Ridgefest 10am - 4pm
- 14 - Council Meeting @ 3pm
- 15 - Social Committee Meeting
- 21 - Sunrise Service
- 28 - Worship Committee Mtg @ 4pm

volunteer with **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**



We need YOU!  
 Children's church is looking for leaders and helpers.  
 Come join the team and share the love of Christ with the children in our church and community.  
 See Jennifer Chisholm!

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead.

We know it hurts, and we want to help.

Contact Us Today

**Saturdays 9am -11am**  
**January 12 to April 6, 2019**  
**First Baptist Church Mossy Head**  
**92 Hinote Road**  
**FBCMossyhead.org**  
**850-892-3525**

**GRIEF SHARE**

If you have not picked up your offering envelopes, please do so. They are located in the Welcome Center. Start fresh this year and use your envelopes regularly.....PLEASE.



If you have never used offering envelopes, please consider it because it is helpful when counting the offerings each week. Call the church office to get set up.

Your support, participation, attendance, prayers & offerings for PRBC is gratefully appreciated and helps reach out and share the love of Jesus to our community, state and world. (Acts 1:8). Be a blessing and receive a blessing.

**"If any man serve me, let him follow me."**  
**John 12:26**



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Rev. Mahlon T. LeCroix, *Pastor*  
Bob Bradley, *Associate Pastor of Worship*  
Erica Mason, *Ministry Assistant*  
Robin Thompson, *Office Assistant*  
**ACTIVE DEACONS**  
VT Thompson ..... 951-0204  
Ronnie Gainey ..... 892-7447  
Jim Cosson ..... 892-3293  
Jerry Cosson ..... 859-2193  
Perry Yates ..... 892-7992  
Steven Harris ..... 850-333-7011

## MISSIONS ON THE RIDGE

*We are praying for all the survivors of Hurricane Michael. May God wrap His arms around you and bring peace that passes all understanding.*



The Annie Armstrong Easter offering is March 3, 2019 through March 9, 2019.

Our goal is \$1500.00

The Lottie Moon Christmas offering was collected during the month of December. PRBC's goal was \$1800.

The total we raised this year was \$2397.00!!!

Great job, PRBC!



Food Pantry Donations Needed

### Missions 2018



We had a team of 8 people that made a mission trip to Dakota over the summer. We support Dakota Baptist with monetary donations throughout the year and a trip in the summer to help with VBS and other ministries.

The next trip is planned for July 2019!