



THE PLEASANT VISITOR

December 18, 2018



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OUR SICK AND PRAYER LIST

Vernon Pritchett has been a patient at Cone Hospital
Clyde Cagle has been a patient at Cone Hospital in ICU this past week

Joe Brady is scheduled for knee surgery on Tuesday, December 18th

Andy Clapp is scheduled for surgery to repair a torn meniscus

Robin Haithcock is at home recovering after her surgery and will begin treatments on Tuesday, December 18th

Charlie Rierson has been diagnosed with Lung Cancer

Ruth Wilkes is recovering well after eye surgery

Karen Brady is recovering well at home after an appendectomy

Lisa Clapp is at home and is having back issues

Diane Overman Boit is in remission from her cancer, is taking physical therapy and is able to be in a wheelchair

Pray for the **family of Faye Whitesell's cousin** who lost a 29 year old grandson to a tragic death



In Sympathy

* We join in expressing our deepest sympathy to the family of **Marie O'Ferrell** who died on Monday, December 10th in Florida. Daphna Wagoner and Sylvia Sockwell are her sisters. Her Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, December 19th at Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church in LaBelle, FL.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **Stephanie Hunt** who was named as *Principal Of The Year* by the Alamance County-Burlington School System for 2018. Stephanie is the Principal at Walter M. Williams High School in Burlington. Congratulations Stephanie on a job well done!

2019 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes for 2019 were mailed on **Monday, December 17th!** If you do not receive your Offering Envelopes for 2019 by Monday, December 31st, please contact Dana in the Church Office. (336-697-0444, dadams@mountpleasantumc.org).

Offering Envelopes



Please Note: This edition of the Pleasant Visitor is being published one week late due to the inclement weather and snow delays in the area last week!!!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

**CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLE LIGHTING &
COMMUNION
WORSHIP SERVICE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 24th
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)**



**CHURCH UNITED WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30th @ 11:00 a.m.
Covenant Renewal Service (Sanctuary)**

Our next *Fifth Sunday* will occur on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30th**. We will have a *Church United Service* which will be a *Service of Covenant Renewal* in the Wesleyan tradition. This is a long standing tradition among the people called Methodist. We will have **only one Worship Service** on this day which will be in the **Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m.** Please join us as we all unite together for Worship on December 30th!



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS!

The Church Office will be **CLOSED** on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 24th through FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28th** for the Christmas holidays.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS PARTY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23rd**

After the Children's Message at the 11:00 Service this coming *Sunday, December 23rd*, all children are invited to come for birthday cake in the Chapel Area as we celebrate Jesus' birth!



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Church Office will be **CLOSED** on **MONDAY, JANUARY 1st** in observance of the New Year's Day Holiday.



Thank You

His lungs and the “long goodbye disease” has taken its toll on Mr. Mac, as well as his family. All we have now are memories-many of which were made at Mount Pleasant. Many thanks for taking us in about 60 years ago. Since we had no family locally, we were immediately to our church family. Thanks for letting us become a part of the church family. Beign a dairy farmer, Mr. Mac didn't have a lot of time to give, but he tried!! Recently, our family has benefited greatly from the love and goodness of Mount Pleasant during Mac's illness and death. Thank you so much for the many ways that happened during the six years Mac was cared for away from home. Many thanks for mail and visitors. They became so important to Mac. He was asleep many times when Mr. Ed visited, but he always told me “that man” came to visit, if he had been awake. We would like to say thanks a million times and more to the Bereavement Committee who made sure we were fed well and that our Kentucky folks would know we have many good cooks at Mount Pleasant!! Thank you!! Thank you!! *Carolyn, Janice, Lindley, Debbie Carey & Adrian Ivey*



SEND A CARD TO A SHUT-IN!

Please take the time this week, if you can, to send a note or a card to a Shut-In--*Mrs. Gertrude Clapp Peacock, Friends Home Maples 50, 925 New Garden Road, Greensboro, NC 27410.* Trudy enjoys receiving cards and notes. This time of year is always a good time of the year to remember our Shut-Ins.

CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

May the Christmas presents remind you of God's greatest gift-His only begotten Son.
 May the Christmas candles remind you of Him who is the light of the world.
 May the Christmas tree remind you of another tree on which He died for you.
 May the Christmas cheer remind you of Him who said, “Be of good cheer.”
 May the Christmas feast remind you of Him who is the bread of life.
 May the Christmas snow remind you of the cleansing power of Christ.
 May the Christmas bells remind you of the glorious proclamation of His birth.
 May the Christmas carols remind you of His glad tidings which we are to proclaim to all mankind.
 May the Christmas season remind you in every way of Jesus Christ your King.

BLOOD DRIVE

Please mark your calendars now and then plan to join us at the **2nd Annual Judy Register Memorial Blood Drive** on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 8th, 2019.** The Blood Drive will run from **1:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** We hope that you will come out and Give the Gift of Life! So many of you helped make the first Blood Drive in memory of our mother a huge success. Please help us reach our goal and beat last year's total. Hope to see you there! Please visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment today by using the code: *Judy Register.*



MOBILE MEALS

VOLUNTEER DELIVERY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 24th – DECEMBER 28th

Monday, December 24 – Carol Ward, Sue Sandridge
Tuesday, December 25 – Holiday-No Meal Delivered
Wednesday, December 26 – Holiday-No Meal Delivered
Thursday, December 27 – Scott McDuffie
Friday, December 28 – Jack & Shirley Fleming

DECEMBER 31st – DECEMBER 14th

Monday, December 31 – Holiday-No Meal Delivered
Tuesday, January 1 – Holiday-No Meal Delivered
Wednesday, January 2 – Sharon Fields
Thursday, January 3 – Gary Greeson, Wally Andrews
Friday, January 4 – Ed & Martha Allred
Danease Newell, Coordinator (336-274-3396)



{The Fellowship Hall at Mount Pleasant filled with people on the night of the Special December Christmas Event with the musical group, Sunday Drive.}

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following members of Mount Pleasant who received the *International Milestone Membership Chevron Award* for their years of membership in the McLeansville Lion's Club. Congratulations to: **Reid Cagle** (45 years), **Larry Overbey** (30 years), **Harry Clapp** (25 years), **Glenn Clapp** (20 years), **Leland Cantrell** (15 years) & **Joyce Cantrell** (10 years).

FINANCIAL REPORT & ATTENDANCE**DECEMBER 2, 2018**

General Budget – \$ 19,803.72

* (Included In This Total Is \$1,960.00 Received
From The Daycare For Rent & Fuel Expenses)

Building Maintenance/Repairs Fund – \$ 120.00

Mission Box – \$ 93.00

Other/Designated – \$ 1,834.08

Total: \$ 21,850.80**WORSHIP:** 9:00 – 131 / 11:00 – 82**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 77**DECEMBER 9, 2018**

No Offering Or Attendance Numbers

Due To The Inclement Weather & Cancellation Of Services

DECEMBER 16, 2018

General Budget – \$ 12,410.00

Building Maintenance/Repairs Fund – \$ 100.00

Mission Box – \$ 540.00

Other/Designated – \$ 1,227.70

Total: \$ 14,277.70**WORSHIP:** 9:00 – 135 / 11:00 – 62**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 57

*Please Note: In order to meet the 2018 Budget, a weekly
General Budget Offering Amount of \$10,296.57 is needed.
The 2018 Budget totals \$535,421.45.*

FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR NOVEMBER 2018

During the month of November, the total amount given to the General Budget was **\$46,467.79**. Actual Expenses for the month of November totaled **\$48,786.92**. As of the end of November, the total amount Budgeted (*year to date*) for 2018 is \$483,959.00 and the total amount received for the General Budget (*year to date*) is \$457,217.02. As of the end of November, actual General Budget Receipts are **behind** the 2018 Budgeted Amount by **\$26,741.98**. Also, Total Actual General Budget Expenses (\$464,280.44) have **exceeded** Total Actual General Budget Receipts (\$457,217.02) by **\$7,063.42**.

OUR CHRISTMAS PRAYER

God grant you peace at Christmas
And fill your heart with cheer;
God grant you health and happiness
Throughout the coming year.
God guide you with His wisdom
And keep you in His care;
This is our special wish for you—
This is our Christmas prayer.

--Author Unknown

NOVEMBER MISSIONS UPDATE!

Thank you for your donations to our *November Mission Box* which will go to the **Winter Emergency Shelter**. The New Jerusalem Cathedral Women's Winter Emergency Shelter is an extension of Greensboro Urban Ministry. Every year, New Jerusalem partners with Greensboro Urban Ministry to help women that are homeless, in need of shelter, and other community services. The Shelter operates from December through March. During their stay at the Shelter, every woman receives case management, job leads, education opportunities, assistance with identifying permanent housing, and other community resources. The Shelter also supplies the ladies with all the comforts of home while they search for employment and housing. The ladies receive pajamas, house shoes, under garments, wash clothes, towels, and hygiene products. Last year, the WE Shelter served over 74 ladies. A total of **\$1,498.00** was received for Winter Emergency Shelter during the month of November! Thank you for your support of our November Mission Emphasis!!

END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

If you would like to give a special *End Of The Year Contribution* to the Church, please make sure that your contribution is either postmarked by **MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st** or received in the Church Office by **MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st**. Please note that you may also place your special *End of the Year contributions* in the Offering Plate on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30th**. All End Of The Year Contributions must be received or postmarked by these dates in order for it to be posted to your 2018 Giving Record and counted for the 2018 Tax Year. Any contributions received or postmarked after this date will be applied to your 2019 Giving Record. **PLEASE NOTE:** The Church Office will be open on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in order to receive last minute End Of The Year Contributions.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

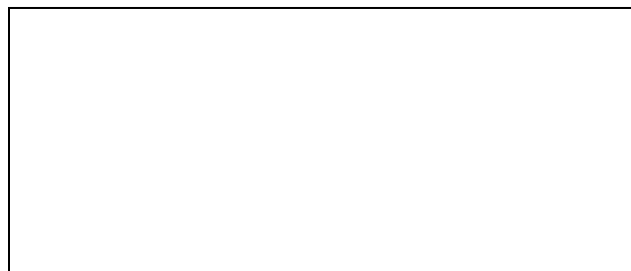
The next "*Pleasant Visitor*" will be published on **MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st** due to the Christmas Holidays. A calendar for the month of January will be included in the 12/31/18 Newsletter. If you have any events or activities that you would like listed on the January calendar or if you have any articles or information that you would like included in the December 31st Newsletter, please email your information to Dana (dadams@mountpleasantumc.org) or call the Church Office (336-697-0444) by **5:00 p.m.** on **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28th**.



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SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE!

9:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

{featuring hymns of the faith, gospel songs, Scripture-based readings and sermons}

10:00 a.m. - Discipleship Time

Current Sunday School Classes, New Classes and Short-Term Studies

11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)

{featuring modern hymns, and spiritual songs along with Scripture-based sermons and multimedia}

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