

## Sermon Notes



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**Sunday Worship - 8:45 & 10:30 a.m.**

**Sunday Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday Youth Worship - 6:45 p.m. (Youth Ctr.)**

***December 7, 2025***



### *A Note from Pastor Phillips:*

Thank you for coming to worship with us today. If you are a first-time visitor, I would sure like the opportunity to meet you and welcome you personally. Because I believe in a Sovereign God, I don't believe anything happens by chance. I believe you were brought here today for a purpose. I would love to help you discover that purpose, and to see if there is any way we as a church can bless and minister to you and your family. Please stop by the Resource Center after the service so I can shake your hand. I'd sure count it a privilege.

Pastor Harold

**SENIOR BREAKFAST RESUMES IN 2026:** Senior Breakfast Fellowship will not meet in November or December. Enjoy your holidays! See you in January!

**ONE MORNING SERVICE ONLY DECEMBER 28:** We will have only one morning worship service Sunday, December 28, at 10:30 a.m. There will be no 8:45 service, no youth hang time, and no Sunday School. Junior Church will take place as normal at 10:30 a.m. in the Jr. Church area. Care for children age 4 and under will be available in their normal classrooms. We will not have evening services that day, either. Enjoy family time!

God doesn't want me to "do something for Him."  
*HE* wants to do something *through me*.

### **SPECIAL MUSIC SCHEDULE (Evening Service)**

#### **This week, Dec. 7**

**OPENING:** God's Call Program

**BEFORE**

**MESSAGE:** God's Call Program

#### **Next week, Dec. 14**

Salt Shakers Program

Salt Shakers Program

### **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Last Week's Undesignated Offering	\$23,353.06
Last Month's Average Weekly Undesignated Offering	\$23,037.83

# Pleasant View

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Thank you for joining us today for worship.  
Your presence was a blessing.

If there is any way that our church can assist you or your family, please contact the office at 410-378-4476.

We pray that you have been blessed, and have found that coming to Pleasant View Baptist Church is truly ... *like coming home*.

Free guest WIFI is available to use with Bible apps during the service. Choose "Sanctuary" and use the password 12345678.



**NO FOOD  
OR DRINKS  
ALLOWED**

PLEASE refrain from bringing food and any drink except water into the sanctuary. Even travel cups with lids can spill, causing stains on the upholstered pews. Thank you.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

The church office is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. It's our privilege to serve our Church family. Thank you!



Pleasant View Baptist Church is a smoke-free campus. We encourage you to refrain from smoking while on the premises. **If you must smoke while here, please do so in your car.** If you have any questions, please ask one of our Pastors.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**

Angel Tree Donations & Christmas  
Food Basket Donations due today.

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Salt Shakers Program - 6:00 p.m.  
(Sanctuary)

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

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Little Lights Program - 7:00 p.m.  
(Sanctuary)

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18**

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Upward Practice - 6:00 p.m.  
(Zoe Center)

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20**

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Adult Choir Practice - 9:00 a.m.  
(Sanctuary)

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Youth Caroling/Outreach

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21**

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Adult Choir Program - 6:00 p.m.  
(Sanctuary)

### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 22**

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OFFICE CLOSED

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23**

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OFFICE CLOSED

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24**

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OFFICE CLOSED

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Candlelight Christmas Eve Service  
7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

# **PVBC AUTHOR**

# *Book Signing*

# **TODAY !!**

**Come knock out some  
Christmas shopping!**

**This will be the last book  
signing/sale of 2025.**

**Please come ready with cash,  
check, or gold bullion (some authors  
accept Venmo/PayPal/CashApp).  
No credit card sales accepted.**

# GOD'S CALL

*presents*



## BECAUSE OF BETHLEHEM

SUNDAY | 12/7/25 | 6 PM

 Pleasant View  
BAPTIST CHURCH 150 DOWNIN LN. PORT DEPOSIT

### THIS WEEK

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

BOOK SALE & SIGNING IN THE HALLWAY!  
8:45 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
8:45 a.m. - Youth Hang Time (Youth Center)  
9:00 & 10:30 a.m. - Small Group Bible Studies  
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service & Baptism (Sanctuary)  
10:30 a.m. - Junior Church (Jr. Church)  
4:30 p.m. - Adult Choir (Room 117)  
6:00 p.m. - God's Call Program (Sanctuary)  
7:00 p.m. - Deacon Meeting (Youth Center)

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

8:00 a.m. - Bless Your Heart Ministry (Zoe Center)  
8:30 a.m. - Manna Men (Youth Center)  
6:00 p.m. - Michael Bible Institute (Room 112)  
6:00 p.m. - Upward Practice (Zoe Center)

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

7:00 a.m. - Prayer (Sanctuary)  
10:00 a.m. - Homeschool Huddle (Zoe Center)  
1:00 p.m. - Budget Committee (Room 112)  
6:00 p.m. - Admin. Committee (Room 112)  
6:00 p.m. - Women Helping Women (Youth Center)  
6:00 p.m. - Upward Practice (Zoe Center)

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

5:45 p.m. - Men of Berea (Coffee Room)  
5:45 p.m. - Ladies Bible Study (Zoe Conference Room)  
5:45 -7:00 p.m. - Little Lights (Room 117)  
5:45 p.m. - Salt Shakers (Sanctuary)  
6:00 p.m. - Awana Teachers/Helpers Meeting (Jr. Church)  
7:00 p.m. - Awana Kids with Pastor Mike (Jr. Church)  
6:45 p.m. - Youth Service (Youth Center)  
7:00 p.m. - Adult Bible Study (Sanctuary)

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 a.m. - Bless Your Heart (Zoe Center)  
9:30 a.m. - Homeschool Bible Class (Zoe Event Room)  
6:00 p.m. - Youth Band Practice (Youth Center)  
6:00 p.m. - Upward Practice (Zoe Center)  
6:30 p.m. - Lego League (Zoe Lobby)  
7:00 p.m. - Praise & Worship Practice (Sanctuary)

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:00 a.m. - Rooted Homeschool Co-op (Jr. Church)

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

8:30 a.m. - Tea Time Quilters (Youth Center)

Night to  
  
TIM TEBOW FOUNDATION



Save  
the Date!

February 13, 2026 | 6-9

Pleasant View Baptist Church

Night to  
  
TIM TEBOW FOUNDATION





Please sign up using  
this QR code to  
Volunteer



YOU ARE INVITED

TO THE WOMEN HELPING WOMEN'S 4TH ANNUAL




CHRISTMAS  
PARTY



6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

9TH OF DECEMBER

FOOD | CRAFTS | ENCOURAGEMENT | FELLOWSHIP

YOUTH CENTER - 150 DOWNIN LANE, PORT DEPOSIT, MD.

BRING A FOOD DONATION AND A SWEET OR SAVORY  
DISH TO SHARE







## CHRISTMAS BASKET GROCERY LIST



- 1 Can Cream of Mushroom Soup (10 oz.)
- 1 Can French Fried Onions (2.8 oz.)
- 2 Boxes Velveeta Mac and Cheese
- 1 Box of Bisquick
- 1 Box of Instant Mashed Potatoes
- 1 Quart jar of Apple Sauce
- 4 Cans Corn
- 4 Cans Green Beans
- 2 bags of Cookie Mix

**All items should be turned in to the coat closet by Sunday, December 14.**

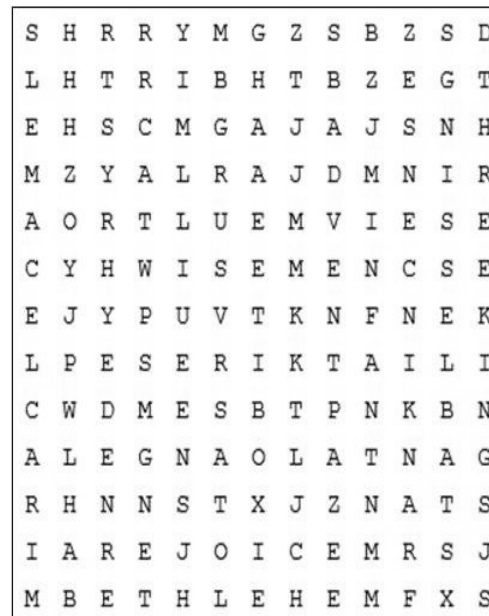
May the Lord bless you richly  
for being a blessing to our community  
this Christmas Season.



We are also gratefully accepting donations  
of hams. Please call the office if you are  
willing to donate one. Thank you!



## Joy to the World



ADVENT  
ANGEL  
BETHLEHEM  
BIRTH  
BLESSINGS  
CAMELS  
FRANKINCENSE

INFANT  
JESUS  
JOSEPH  
MAGI  
MANGER  
MARY  
MIRACLE

MYRRH  
NATIVITY  
REJOICE  
STABLE  
STAR  
THREE KINGS  
WISE MEN





## Moving Pictures Drama Ministry

Do you have an interest in participating as an actor/actress in drama skits? Do you have an interest in being a background character or being an extra in a crowd? Would you like to work with lighting or backstage working with props? Would you like to design scenes and prepare them for stage performances? Doing it all for the Glory of God!

If you have a genuine passion for storytelling and stage performance, enjoy bringing characters to life, working collaboratively with a team, and contributing to productions that inspire and engage audiences, then come and be a part of Moving Pictures, the drama ministry at Pleasant View Baptist Church. There are no age restrictions. We can use children, teenagers, young adults, and older adults, depending on what is needed for the theme of the skits.

If this is a desire or interest that you have and God is leading you to want to be a part of this ministry, please fill out the information form below and drop it in the offering boxes located in the back of the sanctuary, or you can hand it to Susan Buck or Jamie Mock. We would love to meet with you and talk with you about this.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

What would you be interested in?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Acting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Background Character
- \_\_\_\_\_ Extras needed for performance
- \_\_\_\_\_ Lighting
- \_\_\_\_\_ Backstage working with Props
- \_\_\_\_\_ Designing and Preparing scenes for the stage



## Imagine . . .

**Imagine** watching as December 25<sup>th</sup> approaches, knowing you have to choose between buying your children Christmas presents and providing for their food and shelter. That's the dilemma more and more families are facing during this difficult economy. **Imagine** looking into the faces of your children and anticipating their disappointment on Christmas morning.

**Imagine** someone, anonymously reaching out in the name of Jesus to provide your children with gifts on Christmas morning. **Imagine** receiving these gifts as a representation of the greatest Gift ever given to man - a Savior!

**Imagine** the fulfillment of being the person God uses to bless these families in our area - people you pass on the street, children who may be in your child's class at school, the family next to you in the church pew.

You don't have to **imagine** the blessing of helping someone.

Choose an angel or two from our Angel Tree in the lobby.

**Sign out the angel, attach it to the wrapped Christmas gift(s) you purchase, and then bring the gift(s) back to the church by NEXT Sunday, December 14.**

If you have questions, please call the church office. You will be blessing someone more than you can . . .

## imagine.





# SALT SHAKERS PRESENTS . . .



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**  
**6:00 P.M. IN THE**  
**PVBC SANCTUARY**

## DIVORCE *Care*

### **Divorced? Separated?**

Separation and divorce are among the most painful experiences you can face. So many emotions. So many challenges.

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH IT ALONE.**

- ◆ FIND HELP    ◆ DISCOVER HOPE
- ◆ EXPERIENCE HEALING

Divorce Care offers support, answers, and practical tools to help you manage the stresses of separation and divorce and find healing.

#### **Topics include:**

- Deep hurt
- Loneliness
- Anger
- Conflict
- Fear/Anxiety
- Forgiveness
- Grief & Depression
- Family/friends after divorce
- Financial & legal issues
- Interacting with your ex
- Single Living
- Moving forward

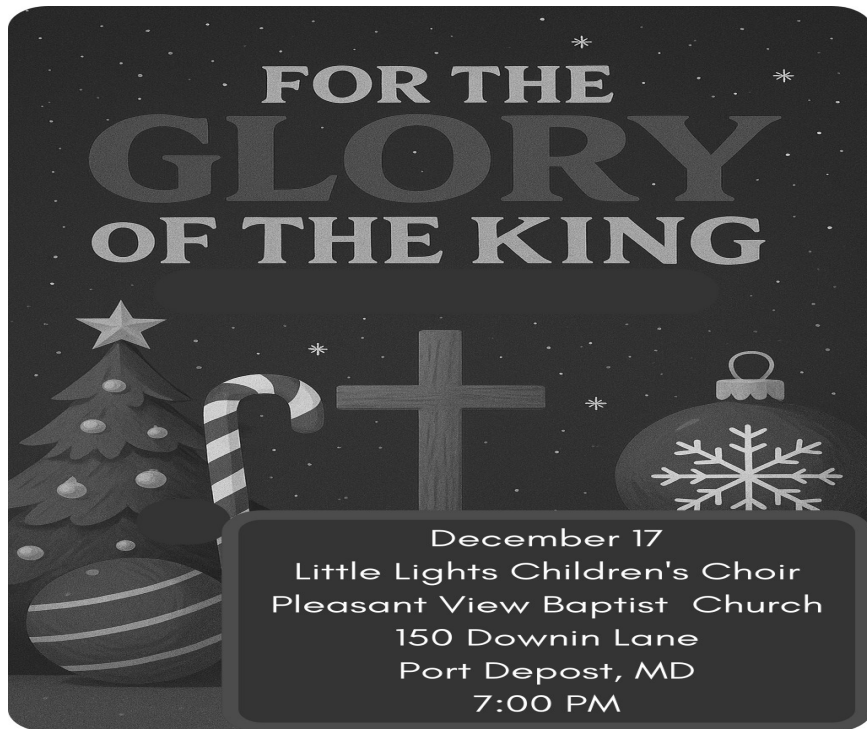
**Mondays 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**  
**beginning Jan. 5, 2026**

**We meet in the Jr. Church area.**

For more information, contact Dave or Beverly at 410-459-2905 or 443-206-0582.

**NO CHILDCARE PROVIDED.**





### **NEW CHRISTIAN/NEW MEMBER CLASS BEGINNING**


Pastor Chris will soon begin a class going over church history, Bible history, doctrines of the faith, and membership guidelines, responsibilities and procedures. The class will run for 8 weeks or so. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the children's hallway, where you can indicate interest and choose whether you would rather have the class on a Sunday morning or Sunday evening. Details will follow depending on class size and time. Be sure to sign up if interested.



**Adult Choir Christmas Concert**


Sunday, December 21 - 6:00 p.m.

in our Sanctuary



**THE COLLECTIVE**

Young Adult Ministry Events



Our new young adult ministry is up and running! Please use the QR code above to sign up for notifications and details about upcoming events. The current schedule includes:

- Sat., Dec. 13 - 6-9 p.m. - Christmas Party at Shawn/Hannah Parker's house.

Hello & Hola, brothers & sisters in Christ,

In Matt. 28:19-20 Jesus commands His followers to spread the good news of Jesus to a lost & broken world. This world is striving for something & it is our job as believers to show them what that something is. What this world is missing in Jesus & He says in John 14:6 "I am the way, the truth, & the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." We need to show the love of Christ to this lost & dying world that they might believe & have life in Him.

This past May I was in Ecuador on a week long mission trip when I felt like God was calling me to more of a long term mission in Ecuador. It took quite a lot of prayer & spiritual discernment. And I'm not going to lie, I was not 100% on board at first but the peace that I felt was overwhelming when I finally broke down & surrendered to God's plan & not my own.

This coming January I will be living in Ecuador for around six months. I will be working with the native tribes of Shell, Ecuador on the edge of the Amazon. During my stay I will be staying with an Ecuadorian family in their home in Shell. We will be doing VBS like Bible clubs with kids. During these clubs we will do a craft with the kids, provide them & their parents with a meal, & most importantly we will share the gospel & the love of Christ with them. I will also be working with the Waorani people & their church & all that may entail. I am excited to see the Lord work in these ministries & many more during my time in Ecuador.

The one thing that I am asking of y'all is that you would keep me & the people of Ecuador in your prayers that they would be receptive to the gospel & that I will be a light to this dark & dying world. If you would like to support me in this endeavor you can do so by using the GiveSendGo link down below or by contacting me. May we all stay strong in the Lord & be bold to proclaim His name.

Your brother in Christ, Seth  
443-593-2398

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