

# PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

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Read what Scripture tells us about God's promises and face the new year with hope! Our Lord wants us to seek out His will for our lives and to live life FULLY alive. Stop Satan's goal in making you feel defeated and overcome, you can start this New Year renewed! Below are 27 bible verses related to the New Year.

Isaiah 40:30-31

**Psalm 98:1** 

Isaiah 43:19

**Deuteronomy 7:13** 

Proverbs 23:18

1 Peter 1:3

Romans 5:5

Colossians 3:9-10

Micah7:7

**Isaiah 40:31** 

2 Corinthians 5:17

**Romans 8:18** 

**Ephesians 4:22-24** 

Jeremiah 29:11

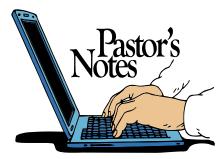
Psalms 31:23-24

**Lamentations 3:22-23** 

**Ezekiel 11:19** 

**Revelation 21:5** 

Isaiah 54:1-5



Happy New Year! I pray each of you had a blessed Christmas and had opportunity to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas and celebrate the birth of Jesus. As we ring in the new year I want to encourage each of you to make 2017 a Christ-filled year as you seek to serve, give, and follow the

Lord's guidance for your life. I want to encourage each of you to plug into Sunday school as well as find a place to serve within the church. We have many ministry opportunities available so I am sure there is something for you. May 2017 be a wonderful year in your life and the life of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church.

Grace and Peace

Pastor Geoff

Happy New Year from the Barksdales! We are finally here and very excited about serving at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. Our family is looking forward to what God has planned for us at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. Amy is working on unpacking and getting us settled in. Micah will be returning to South Carolina to continue attending college at North Greenville University, but he plans to visit often. Noah is a senior and Emma is a sophomore and they will be attending Baker High School. We are all very excited about God moving in the lives of all the children here at the church as well as in the community. Please be in prayer for our Children's Ministry this next year. We desire to lead our children at the church, reach the lost children in this area and disciple them all to share their faith while they grow in Christ. Also, please pray for our family as we transition to the area. May God bless you and your families this New Year!

Michael



The church office will be closed Monday, January 2nd.



Sunday, January 29th



Unit 2 - Session 1

**Life Point:** God is with you

wherever you go.

**Bible Verse:** "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Unit 2 - Session 2

**Life Point:** People should obey, respect, and honor God because He loves them.

**Bible Verse:** "Obey the LORD your God and follow his commands and decrees that I give you today." Deuteronomy 27:10

Unit 2 - Session 3

Life Point: God can use people, even when they make mistakes. Bible Verse: "His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness." 2 Peter 1:3

Unit 2 - Session 4

**Life Point:** God has a plan for families.

**Bible Verse:** "Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:10

Unit 2 - Session 5

Life Point: God wants people to

pray to Him daily.

**Bible Verse:** "I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayer." Psalm 17:6



Jan. 1- Margaret SasserJan. 8 - Joe & Pat OglesbyJan. 15 - Richards Family

Jan. 22 - Justin & Charla Douglas

Jan. 29 - Brenda Cadenhead



## Stats for December

Stewardship through December 29, 2016

2016-17 Budget \$637,824.90 Weekly budget need \$12,265.86 Given YTD \$134,234.42

**Total Receipts:** 

Budget \$41,230.26 Designated \$17,280.48

**Sunday School:** 

Enrollment 476 Average Attendance 225

**Building Fund:** 

Current Balance \$60,990.59

#### Gatewood, Drew Hurley 8:30 Paid Workers 11:00 Taylor & Lindsay Carton Richards, Roger Jamaal Day, Aaron Cross, Dal-Travis Adams / Debra Schneider lisle / Aggie & Mary Oglesby 11:00 Ronnie Miller, 6:00 Paid Workers 8:30 Stanley Bacon Jason & Nicole Rickmor Shannon Gustin JAN Blake Fortner, Brad Mainor, Donna Emiro / Shana Lawson Charlotte & Hana Wadsworth Mark Wilde, Matt Brunson, 11:00 Shawn & Kenya Risen Dana Hardy/Caitlin Hardwick 11:00 Adam Henry 8:30 Paid Workers 6:00 Paid Workers Tommy Eiland Sheila Rodriquez JAN 8 ANUARY VOLUNTEERS Billy & Kathryn Ziglar Jack Adams, Chris Roller, Malcolm Spears Travis Adams, Levon Nich-11:00 Grant & Erin Adams 11:00 Josh Williams 6:00 No Services 8:30 Paid Workers 8:30 Kevin Morgan Natalie & Tressie Adams John & Crystal Fogel Margaret Sasser **JAN 15** Shannon Gustin & Shiana 8:30 Paid Workers 11:00 Michele Williams Wadsworth, John Gustin Bob Adams, Shane Oglesby David Oglesby, Dylan 1:00 Mark Wadsworth 6:00 Paid Workers Roger & Melissa Gatewood Donna & Lindsay Emirc Stephanie Morrison JAN

Bob Cooper, Justin Lawson

11:00 Larry Cunningham,

8:30 Tommy Eland

JAN

Austin Davis, Josh Adams,

Andy Butler

Russell, Elizabeth Kempski

6:00 Paid Workers

Malcolm & Kristy Spears

Charles & Gayle Gordor

11:00 Gina Williams, Amy

8:30 Paid Workers

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SPECIAL NEEDS

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Matt & Polly Brunsor

# STS CONFERENCE STRENGTH TO STAND

Our high school youth are invited to head to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for the Strength to Stand Conference. They will leave January 13th at 6:00 a.m. There are still spots available for \$100/per person. We pray for safe travels for this group as they go and hear God's great word.



Eula & Glynn Dotson Barbara Griffiths / Maxine Adams Jim & Elaine Skates Merline Myrick / Gladys Fleming Bill Raley / Lynn Garrett Glyn Garrett / Mary Jane Stewart Patricia Treat / Grady Williams Bob Walker Sr./ Jack Shue Tom & Carlotta Garrett Tyler Sasser / Lacy Adams Lucien & Betty LeMarchand Tina Cadenhead / Nola Rowell Mary Richardson / Cliff Troyer Ezra & Ragenia Nichols Mary Hart / Florence Myrick Linda Richardson / Paul Garrett Our President, Nation & Military Unsaved / Unspoken



## "SHED FOR YOU...'

We will observe the ordinance of The Lord's Supper Sunday, January 8th during both morning services. Be reminded that a benevolence offering is taken up at this time.



2017 offering envelopes are out. You should find your box of envelopes in your Sunday School class. If you are not on a class roll then your envelopes will be in the foyer at the Welcome Desk. If you are unable to locate your box of envelopes, contact Connie Morgan in the church office. Thank you!



2016 Contribution statements will be available for pick up from the church office after January 15th. If you prefer, you may have you statement emailed to you—just call the church office to let us know.

Please be reminded that in order for a contribution to be counted on this year's statement, it must be received in the office or post marked by December 31st. If you have any questions, contact Connie Morgan. Thank You!



The youth have the opportunity to be involved in the Purity Study Disciple Now. This will begin on January 27th and we will have a ring ceremony, for the students involved, on Sunday, January 29th. This will take the place of our 6 o'clock service that night.



#### Sunday, January 22nd

Standards... They are the benchmark by which we live. But today's culture has traded truth for tolerance and conviction for compromise. The foundations around us continue to crumble as low expectations become the norm. That's about to change... We are calling a generation to set a new standard and refuse to conform. Created in His image and set apart for His purpose, we will stand against complacency and mediocrity to pursue what is right and good. While others are lowering their expectations, we're raising the standard!

Silver Ring Thing is a radical response to culture's view of love and relationships. Through community-wide outreach events and resources, we defy the meetup, hook-up, break-up culture of today and inspire teens to a pure life centered in a relationship with Jesus Christ.



LIFT Women's Ministry will be starting a new bible study on Sunday, January 15th at 5:00p.m. We will be located in the new Sunday school classroom in the old nursery. This study is a 6 week DVD based bible study by Lysa Terkeurst called "Finding I Am". We hope you will join us!



If anyone is interested in joining the adult worship choir, they practice every Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. If you have any questions please see Bro. Darren.



Our college students and high school seniors will be leaving early January 2nd for the Passion Conference in Atlanta. Please pray for safe travels and that these students are blessed hearing God's Word.

### Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church

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#### WEEKLY RECURRING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### SUNDAY

8:30 am Worship

9:45 am Bible Study

11:00 am Worship

6:00 pm Worship, Youth Ministry,

Kid's S.L.A.M.

#### MONDAY

7:00 pm Praise Team Practice

#### WEDNESDAY

6:00 pm Awanas, M.S. & H.S. Youth Worship

6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Practice



LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING® 2016

As of December 29th, we have received \$3,592.50 towards the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Thank you everyone who gave to the offering and to the LMCO post office.

# January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2   Office Closed	College Passion 6:30 pm Properties Com	1	5	6	7
8 Line d's Supp Budget Mtg. Children's Council	9 6 pm	10	11 CONFERENCE	<b>12</b>	13 High School	14 I Youth, Strength to Stand
Strength to Stand 4pm Deacon Mtg.	,	17	18	19	20	<b>21</b> Fellowship Hall Reserved
22 'Silver Ring Thing'	23	24	25	26	27 DISCIPL NOW WEEKEN	28 ————————————————————————————————————
Youth Ring Ceremony	30	31				



- 2 Brantley Anderson Joy Mathis Jace Tolbert
- 4 Elaine Skates Madison White
- 6 Calvin Blankenship Christine Burke
- 7 Jackson Adams Luke Coburn Cole Oglesby
- 8 Ashley Black
  Joyce Cosson
  Justin Douglas
  Meri Lee
  Betty Melvin
  Lesley Nichols
  Becky Sheets
- 9 Ruth Cooper Sharon Cunningham Dorothy Robinson
- 10 Jessica Black Jaelyn Rogers
- 11 Gregg Bourke
- 12 Jarett Costner Rusty Oglesby
- 13 Jacobi Adams Mary Ann Cates Loretta Sowell
- 14 Alifare Thomas Clay Tolbert
- 15 Brooke Brunson
- Jacob BrunsonJennifer GlennyLucien LeMarchandZane Steele
- 17 Darlene Costinett Jason Hood Joshua Prows Jennifer Smith
- 18 John Allen Nikki Ostrander
- 19 Colton Weekley
- 21 Tyler Richards Blake Ward
- 22 Allie DuPree Jim Robertson

- 23 Hunter Loucks Nicole Rickmon Jeanette Rubio
- 24 Taylor Carlisle Louise Maloy Betty Patton Rachel Thames
- 25 Sonja Brunson
- 26 Bryan Smith
- 27 Chris Brace Kevin Morgan
- 28 Sharon Judah Angela Mandley
- 29 Josh Albright
- 30 Jason Rickmon Danny Spears
- 31 Liz Davis Verda Jones Lily Loucks Ashten Morrison



- 5 Barry & Meri Lee
- 6 Ricky & Audrey Mills
- 11 Ricky & Mallory Anderson
- 17 Stephen & Jennifer Hass Colton & Chelby Henry
- 18 Patrick & Kristen Ellis
- 24 David & Karen Howard
- 29 Elliott & Sharon Howard



## Candidates for Church Membership

#### **By Baptism:**

**MANDLEY**, Austin

Parents: Michael & Angie Mandley

JONES, Makayla

Parents: David & Samantha Jones

#### **By Letter:**

MILLS, Mr. Ricky & Mrs. Audrey

7318 Old River Rd, Baker Deacon: Billy Ziglar

ARRASMITH, Mr. Charles & Mrs. Romona

1101 Blackberry Circle, Baker Deacon: Billy Ziglar

#### **By Statement:**

MANDLEY, Mr. Michael & Mrs. Angie

1470 Mill Creek Dr, Baker Deacon: Mark Wadsworth

MANDLEY, Spencer

Parents: Michael & Angie Mandley



The Pastor and members of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church wish to offer our love and prayers to the following...

The Steele Family at the death of Lamar Steele on December 24th.

Mrs. Elizabeth "Liz" Mary Johnson passed away on December 1st. She was baptized here at PRBC as a young girl but later moved her membership after she married. She re-joined PRBC in April of 1992 by letter.

Mr. Cecil Smith passed away on December 18th. He was a member since April of 2003 but has been living in Alabama for the last few years.

#### Pilgrim's Progress — January 2017

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES						
Sunday						
Morning Worship	8:30 AM					
Sunday School	9:45 AM					
Morning Worship	11:00 AM					
Evening Worship, Kid's SLAM,						
& Youth Worship	6:00 PM					
Wednesday						
Awanas, M.S. & H.S. Youth	6:00 PM					
Adult Bible Study, Mission Groups	6:30 PM					
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM					
CHURCH LEADERSHIP						
Senior Pastor	Dr. Geoffrey Prows					
Assoc. Pastor to Music & Senior Adults	Darren Williams					
Assoc. Pastor to Students	Justin Douglas					
Assoc. Pastor to Children & Discipleship	Michael Barksdale					
Office Manager	Connie Morgan					
Part-time Secretary	Lindsay Carlisle					
Temp. Custodian	Tom Moss					





We would like to say welcome to the Barksdale Family! We are glad you are finally here and we can't wait to see what you will bring to our church and community.



**January 23rd, 2017** 



Ladies, our next Stampin' Up meeting will be Monday, January 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.