

APRIL 2021

Thank you for your faithfulness with your tithes and offerings. Through February 28, our status is:

ANNUAL BUDGET REQUIREMENT 2021	\$ 1,763,811.53
REC'D THRU 2/28	\$ <u>251,408.89</u>
NEED TO MEET ANNUAL BUDGET	\$ 1,512,402.64
MONTHLY BUDGET REQUIREMENT	\$ 146,984.30
REC'D THRU 2/28	\$ <u>139,891.06</u>
RECEIVED UNDER BUDGET	\$ 7,093.24
HERITAGE FUNDS REC'D THRU 2/28	\$ 7,873.04
TITHES AND OFFERINGS REC'D TO DATE	\$ 251,408.89
OTHER INCOME RECEIVED	\$ 11,337.18
SPENT TO DATE	\$ (294,485.92)



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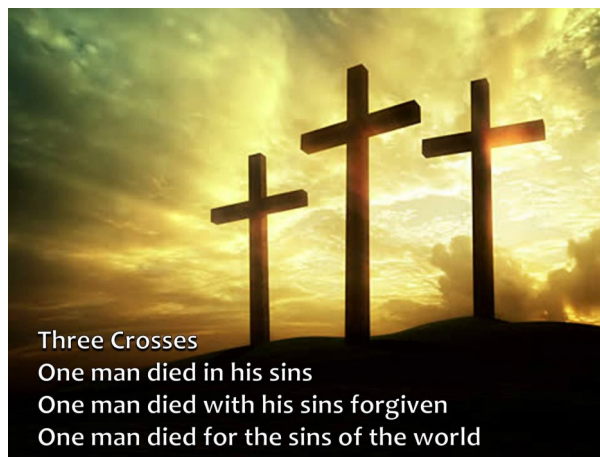
Thank you for your cooperation and patience with our COVID schedule. Attendance is improving as more of our people receive the COVID vaccine. Wednesday services for all ages will resume in August. We will have Vacation Bible School and music week this summer. Kenneth LeRoy and his crew continue to employ public school practices for disinfecting our buildings.

I have been updating our deacons on some of the problems we are having with our North American Mission Board and the Ethics and Religion Liberty commission. Because of questionable leadership in these two ministries, Southern Baptist churches are either leaving our convention or limiting Cooperative Program giving. We may also give cooperative program money straight to SBC agencies.

The Southern Baptist Convention will be held in Nashville, Tennessee in June. If you would like to attend, call the church office. There is a strong delegation of Reformed Theologians (predestination) who want to take over the convention. Our voice needs to be heard. A new convention is being formed, the Conservation Baptist Network, as an alternative. We would rather keep our convention.

I appreciate your strong support for missions.

Your Pastor,
Phil May



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Dan Fuller, Minister of Students (middle & high school)

We have had a great March! This year we were bummed to have to cancel the Tim Tebow *Night To Shine Prom*. However, we came up with another way to serve our special needs community this year. We did what we call a Pop-Up Prom! Students and leaders got in vans and delivered goody bags to our special needs guests. We also danced to music in their front yard and crowned them king or queen of the Pop-Up Prom. It was a blast! We are thankful for our students, leaders and community sponsors for making this event so successful. It has been a joy to have read thank you letters from our special needs guests and their families. Some of our guests hadn't been out of the house much since last March due to compromised immune systems. It was so fun to dance and be with them in their own front yards.

Coming up in April, we are looking forward to Bonfire Night on April 14!

If you have a senior in high school or college who is graduating this May, and you would like them to be honored at our Graduation Sunday on May 23, please contact Dan Fuller or Chase Camp for more information. You will need to send basic information and a photo of the graduate. Congratulations Class of 2021!



Ted Fuller

Minister of Education/Business Administrator

The role of greeters and ushers are important ministries in our church. They serve as the front-line ambassadors to our Sunday morning regular attenders and first time guests. We appreciate our greeters and ushers who have been faithful since the pandemic began in March 2020. They have been a vital part in ensuring that we adhered to the social distancing guidelines and COVID-19 protocol. As we move forward, we anticipate being able to return to normal and more people returning to church. Therefore, we have planned refresher course training for our greeters/ushers on Sunday, May 2, right after the morning worship service. We will serve lunch followed by the training. This will take place in the Awana Room. I encourage all our greeters and ushers to attend for a time for food, fellowship and training. Anyone who would like to become a part of these ministry teams are also encouraged to attend.

The Psalmist says, "I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than dwell in the tents of wickedness." (Psalm 84:10)



Mark Winstead, Minister of Music

Spring has sprung and boy is it beautiful! Flowers are blooming, leaves are emerging, grass is turning green - all the signs of life as creation is once again being reborn. God has brought us through a very difficult "winter" over the last year. Yet now we see the signs of life emerging. Remember to keep vigilant. Just like a late frost can snap the tenderness of new vegetation, we are still a little susceptible to COVID. But the light is shining through, the warmth and love of a holy God. Most importantly this month, the celebration and reminder of how much God loves us - Easter! Take time to enjoy life as He restores it and take time to pause and thank Him for loving you enough to send His Son to bear your sins and pay the ultimate price for those sins. Thank Him for loving you enough to rise out of the grave victorious over sin and death - giving us new life. God is good!

If you are interested in singing, please let me or a choir member know. We are now back to in-person choir rehearsals on Wednesday nights at 7:00. We would love to have you join us!



1 Peter 1:3: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

Kathy Winstead, Minister of Children

PVS kids Children's Ministry had a great time surprising families this month with Easter baskets and yard signs. The baskets contained 23 filled eggs and one empty egg. Can you guess why an egg was empty? Of course, you can! The empty egg symbolized the empty tomb on the third day. Hallelujah! Christ is risen, just as He said. But the ministry of PVS kids knows that's not the end of the story. Because Christ paid the wages for our sin, we are given the opportunity to be with Him forever. And, as believers we are also given the charge to go and tell others this wonderful news. The ministry of PVS kids is committed to sharing this amazing story through Sunday School classes, big events, children's choirs, and our Wednesday evening activities when they begin again in the Fall. But we need your help. We are in need of childcare volunteers (2 years old through kindergarten), substitute Sunday School teachers (preschool-5th grade), children's Welcome Center volunteers, Wednesday evening (Awana) leaders, and our most pressing need right now, VBS volunteers. Please contact me through the church office or by email if you would like to learn more about the ministry opportunities available with PVS kids. I would love to serve with you in PVS kids! - Kathy



Billy Fricks, Associate Pastor

The Hazard, Kentucky Mission Trip last month proved to be a huge success. The team, committed to the mission of representing Christ first and then Pleasant Valley South Baptist Church, consisted of Jack Fuller, Mike Southerland, Mark Winstead and yours truly. The Lord used us to not only accomplish much work toward the completion of the remodeling project, but also to be an encouragement to Pastor Tim Reynolds and the membership of Hazard First Baptist Church. Pastor Tim posted the following message on our PVS Facebook page: "On behalf of First Baptist Church, Hazard, KY, we would like to thank your men that came to lend us a helping hand on the Kitchen Fellowship Hall remodel project. They not only did an amazing job on the sheetrock work and many other items in our building, they were also a pleasure and a joy to be around. (They were quite the storytellers!) I referenced them in my Sunday message as modern day Onesiphorus men that were willing to zealously seek out our work, and refresh this pastor and church that are burdened with more work than we can accomplish alone. As Paul prayed for Onesiphorus in 2 Tim. 1:18, I pray for these men - that The Lord grant to them that they may find mercy and many rewards from the Lord in that Day - and you know very well how many ways they ministered to me and the church at Hazard, KY." We thank the Lord for the opportunity He gave us to bless these brothers and sisters in Christ, and for the huge blessing we received for making ourselves available to be used by Him for His glory.

In closing, I want to announce a week of Our Jerusalem Missions April 5-8. Volunteers are needed to work on various local mission projects in Silver Creek and the surrounding area. Work will consist of pressure washing driveways, deck construction, tree cutting, and general lawn maintenance and clean-up at the homes of our widows, widowers, single parents, and elderly.

On Mission With Him,
Billy



College Core
Gathering Times

Sundays @ 9:00 a.m.
Core Groups (Bible Study)